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## Cadmium, Lead, and Zinc in the Spokane River

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Recommendations for Total Maximum Daily Loads  
and Waste Load Allocations

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## Abstract

The Spokane River regularly violates water quality standards for zinc. Standards for lead and cadmium are also exceeded frequently, especially at higher flows. A procedure for determining Waste Load Allocations (WLAs) for all NPDES point source discharges to the Spokane River was developed based on meeting aquatic life criteria in the effluent. Permit limits for NPDES dischargers will be developed in the future for each individual discharger under Ecology's current schedule for permit cycles. Effluent limits for cadmium, lead, and zinc will be determined by comparing existing concentrations of metals in effluent, where adequate data exist, with the water quality criteria associated with the effluent hardness. Whichever results in the lower permit limits will be chosen.

This method should not result in any unreasonable compliance issues and minimizes the addition of metals to a system that is already exceeding the criteria. It is also an alternative to developing very stringent water quality-based effluent limits that are severely restricted due to excessive upstream and out-of-state metal sources. This approach is consistent with the intent of the anti-degradation policy of the federal Clean Water Act and the policy enunciated in the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act (RCW 90.48) requiring "... all known available and reasonable methods by industries and others to prevent and control the pollution of the waters of the state ... (AKART)" .

Waste Load Allocations are established as a maximum discharge concentration (micrograms per liter) rather than a discharge loading (pounds per day). The federal Clean Water Act allows for the use of allocations in mass per time or other appropriate measure. In this case, a concentration measure is appropriate, because the relationship between the effluent-based criterion and receiving water quality holds for all effluent and river flow rates.

The Spokane River at the state line is the upstream boundary for the present Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) in Washington. The proposed TMDL and analysis to address point source discharges and other sources of metals in the Spokane River requires that the Spokane River will meet Washington state's water quality standards, at a point where the river enters Washington State, within a reasonable period of time. The ultimate success and appropriateness of this TMDL/WLA depends solely on whether the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality or EPA develops and implements an adequate TMDL/WLA and management plan that will result in meeting Washington's water quality standards at the upstream end of the Spokane River.

# **Introduction**

## **Objective**

The Spokane River regularly has elevated levels of zinc, and frequently has elevated levels of lead and cadmium. The river does not meet water quality standards for these metals. The Washington State Department of Ecology, Idaho's Division of Environmental Quality (IDEQ), and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are evaluating regulatory actions to address this issue. The various entities that are permitted under NPDES to discharge to the Spokane River have also been active in proposing approaches to regulate water quality in the Spokane River.

The objective of this report is to propose an approach for regulating point source dischargers in Washington under a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL), instead of developing unreasonably stringent water quality-based effluent limits on a case-by-case basis when upstream concentrations of metals already exceed criteria. At the same time, Idaho and EPA are developing a TMDL to control pollution sources in Idaho. One of the necessary objectives of the Idaho and EPA TMDLs is to meet Washington's water quality criteria in the Spokane River. This TMDL by Ecology addresses NPDES discharges in Washington, and uses an approach that will preferably be similar to EPA's proposed regulation of NPDES dischargers in Idaho.

## **Spokane River Dischargers and Hydrology**

The source of the Spokane River is Lake Coeur d'Alene located in Idaho (Figure 1). The river flows in a westerly direction from Lake Coeur d'Alene, across the state line, to the city of Spokane. From Spokane, the river flows in a northwesterly direction to its confluence with the Columbia River. In Idaho, the following wastewater treatment plants (in order proceeding downstream from the river source) are permitted to discharge to the river:

- City of Coeur d'Alene Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant (AWTP)
- Hayden Area Regional Sewer Board (HARSB) Publicly-owned Treatment Works (POTW)
- City of Post Falls POTW (also serves the City of Rathdrum)

Continuing downstream, the dischargers in Washington are as follows:

- Liberty Lake POTW
- Kaiser Aluminum Industrial Wastewater Treatment Plant (IWTP)
- Inland Empire Paper Company IWTP
- City of Spokane AWTP

The current and projected effluent design flows from the NPDES dischargers are presented in Table 1 (SRDG, 1997).

Substantial inflows of groundwater enter the river beginning downstream from the Liberty Lake outfall. The groundwater inflows significantly increase the river flow rate, especially when surface water flows are low. Table 2 presents the equations used to estimate the aquifer inflow and outflow to the river based on the compilation of data used for the phosphorus attenuation model of the basin (Patmont *et al.*, 1985; Patmont *et al.*, 1987).

Aquifer inflows and outflows were assumed to be correlated to river flows up to a flow of 4,000 cfs from Lake Coeur d'Alene based on the evaluations by Patmont *et al.* The total net aquifer inflows range between about 500 to 800 cfs depending on river flow. For comparison, the combined effluent flow from all current NPDES dischargers is about 128 cfs. The *lowest* 7-day average flow with a 10-year recurrence for the Spokane River at the upstream end near Post Falls (river mile 100.7) is approximately 187 cfs; the *highest* 7-day average flow with a 10-year recurrence is approximately 36,000 cfs; and the annual average flow is approximately 6,300 cfs.

A recent groundwater modeling study by CH2M-Hill suggests that aquifer exchange may be less than previous estimates (CH2M-Hill, 1998). However, the results of the CH2M-Hill study were not used for this study because their reach definitions were not as detailed, and their findings are still under review. Also, if future review of the aquifer exchange rates results in confirmation of CH2M-Hill estimates, then the recommended effluent limits to meet criteria for cadmium, lead, and zinc will not change because the concentrations of metals in the aquifer are much lower than water quality standards, and therefore the recommended effluent limits do not depend on the aquifer exchange rates. However, for future evaluations of limits for other constituents that are a function of available dilution (*e.g.* ammonia), it may be preferable to use the revised aquifer exchange rates by CH2M-Hill.

## TMDL Boundaries

Cadmium, lead, and zinc concentrations in the Spokane River at the state line often exceed water quality standards. The Bunker Hill Superfund site is the largest source to discharge heavy metals in the Idaho sub-basin (IDEQ, 1998). More than a century of deep-shaft mining activities for sulfide-based heavy metals has elevated levels of cadmium, lead, arsenic, and zinc in the South Fork Coeur d'Alene River, which discharges into Lake Coeur d'Alene. Although measures have been taken to dramatically reduce loading to the South Fork, existing concentrations of some metals are still above those in most surface waters of the nation.

IDEQ is currently developing a TMDL for metals and is initiating projects to further reduce metals loads to the South Fork. That TMDL also must have the objective of eventually meeting Washington's water quality standards in the Spokane River. The EPA is working closely with the IDEQ to ensure that progress in reducing loads of metals continues in Idaho.

Ecology is also monitoring the trend in water quality at the state line to detect expected decreases in metals concentrations.

The outlet of Lake Coeur d'Alene is a logical upstream boundary for a separate TMDL analysis to address point source discharges and other sources of metals in the Spokane River, provided that IDEQ develops an adequate TMDL and management plan to meet Washington's water quality standards at the border. However, delays in TMDL development in Idaho have caused Washington State to proceed with a TMDL/WLA which begins with the upstream reach of the Spokane River beginning at the Idaho-Washington state line, and the downstream boundary located below the outfall for the City of Spokane's AWTP. Spokane is the most downstream NPDES discharger, and is therefore considered to be the most downstream potential contributor of significant concentrations of cadmium, lead, and zinc.

## Data Analysis and Modeling

### Water Quality Criteria for Cadmium, Lead, and Zinc

Water quality criteria to protect aquatic life (established in WAC 173-201A-040) apply to the dissolved fraction for cadmium, lead, and zinc and are calculated with the following equations for chronic (4-day average concentration in micrograms per liter not to be exceeded more than once every three years) and acute (one-hour average concentration in micrograms per liter not to be exceeded more than once every three years based on hardness in milligrams per liter as CaCO<sub>3</sub>):

#### *Dissolved Cadmium*

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Chronic} &\leq (1.101672 - ((\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.041838))) * \exp(0.7852 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) - 3.49) \\ \text{Acute} &\leq (1.136672 - ((\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.041838))) * \exp(1.128 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) - 3.828)\end{aligned}$$

#### *Dissolved Lead*

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Chronic} &\leq (1.46203 - ((\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.145712))) * \exp(1.273 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) - 4.705) \\ \text{Acute} &\leq (1.46203 - ((\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.145712))) * \exp(1.273 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) - 1.46)\end{aligned}$$

#### *Dissolved Zinc*

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Chronic} &\leq 0.986 * \exp(0.8473 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) + 0.7614) \\ \text{Acute} &\leq 0.978 * \exp(0.8473 * (\ln(\text{hardness})) + 0.8604)\end{aligned}$$

Figures 2 and 3 depict two hypothetical waters in relation to the water quality criterion curve for cadmium, lead and zinc. If one were to mix the two waters, the resulting mixed concentration of metals and hardness would always fall on a straight line between the two points. Assuming Point A is the Spokane River, meeting the water quality criteria as it exits Lake Coeur d'Alene, a discharge (Point B) at or below the effluent-based criterion would result in a mixture that falls below the criterion curve. Because of the concave shape (bending downward) of the cadmium and zinc criteria curves, any combination of cadmium, zinc, and hardness for the discharge that falls below the curve will mix with river water (A) to form a mixture that also falls below the curve. Therefore, in this situation, the effluent-based criterion approach is protective of state water quality standards.

However, for lead, the criterion curve is convex, or bending upward, leaving open the possibility that a mixture could exceed the criterion even when the waters individually fall below the criterion (a straight line between two points on the criterion curve will fall above the curve). If discharges do not exceed the lead concentration on the tangent line associated with the effluent hardness, the lead criterion will not be exceeded in the mixture of effluent and river water (Figure 3 and Appendix A). This approach is recommended to assure that limits are protective of state water quality standards.

If other sources of water with greater hardness than the river are also added to the mixture, for example groundwater or tributaries, then the resulting mixture including these multiple sources would also meet the criteria provided that no single source exceeds the criteria for cadmium or zinc, or exceeds the tangent line for lead. If the effluent concentrations of metals are below aquatic life criteria, then the metal toxicity in the river below the outfall is reduced by the hardness affect, which allows the river to either be closer to meeting the water quality standard or creates a small safety buffer.

## **Effluent Data**

Typical effluent data are presented in Appendix B. The Spokane River Dischargers Group (SRDG) is currently collecting samples to characterize effluent quality. Appendix B presents preliminary results from the November-December 1997 sampling, as well as sampling by the City of Spokane AWTP from July 1996 through April 1998. All samples of effluent from all dischargers have been found to meet the chronic aquatic life criteria for cadmium, lead, and zinc at the effluent hardness. Effluent lead has also been consistently below the tangent equation for lead shown in Figure 3.

## **River Modeling**

A mass-balance model of the Spokane River was developed to evaluate the effect of different effluent loading on metals and hardness. The model includes a flow balance that accounts for inflow of water from the outlet of Lake Coeur d'Alene, inflow from NPDES dischargers, and inflow/outflow from the aquifer and Hangman Creek. The model divides the river into reaches

as shown in Table 2. For each reach, the flow balance is calculated from the following equation:

$$Q_{down} = Q_{up} + Q_{npdes} + Q_{aquifer}$$

where:

$Q_{down}$  = flow at the downstream end of the reach (cfs)

$Q_{up}$  = flow at the upstream end of the reach (cfs)

$Q_{npdes}$  = flow from NPDES dischargers (Table 1) (cfs)

$Q_{aquifer}$  = flow from or to the aquifer or tributary (Table 2) (cfs)

The mass balance for hardness was calculated from the following equation:

$$H_{down} = [ Q_{up} H_{up} + Q_{npdes} H_{npdes} + Q_{aquifer} H_{aquifer} ] / Q_{down}$$

where:

$H_{down}$  = hardness (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) at the downstream end of the reach

$H_{up}$  = hardness at the upstream end (assumed to be  $H_{down}$  from previous reach)

$H_{npdes}$  = hardness of NPDES effluent

$H_{aquifer}$  = hardness of aquifer (if aquifer inflow) or  $H_{up}$  (if aquifer outflow)

For metals, the mass balance was as follows:

$$M_{dis,down} = F_{down} [ Q_{up} M_{trec,up} + Q_{npdes} M_{trec,npdes} + Q_{aquifer} M_{trec,aquifer} ] / Q_{down}$$

where:

$M_{dis,down}$  = dissolved metals (ug/L) at the downstream end of the reach

$F_{down}$  = fraction of dissolved/total recoverable metals at downstream end of reach

$M_{trec,up}$  = total recoverable metals at upstream end of reach ( $= M_{dis,down} / F_{down}$  from previous reach)

$M_{trec,npdes}$  = total recoverable metals of NPDES effluent

$M_{trec,aquifer}$  = total recoverable metals of aquifer (if aquifer inflow) or  $M_{dis,up}$  (if aquifer outflow)

The fraction of dissolved/total recoverable metals was estimated to equal the conversion factor used to convert the total recoverable criteria to the dissolved criteria (EPA, 1996). It was not considered necessary to use site-specific ratios of dissolved/total recoverable metals because the conversion factors generally represent a worse-case scenario of higher fractions of dissolved metals, and the use of site-specific ratios was not expected to result in different conclusions provided that all sources meet water quality criteria at their respective hardness. Aquifer inflow of total recoverable metals to the river was assumed to equal the dissolved metals concentration estimated during model calibration.

## Model Calibration

Calibration of the model to actual conditions in the river involved estimation of aquifer hardness and metals to match observed concentrations in the river. All other inputs in the flow and mass balance equations were directly estimated from available data:

- The effluent flow rates were assumed to be the current flows presented in Table 1.
- Aquifer inflow/outflow rates were estimated as presented in Table 2.
- Outflow from Lake Coeur d'Alene was assumed to be various values between the normal range of 300 to 20,000 cfs.
- Effluent hardness was assumed to be approximately 145 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>, based on the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile hardness for the Spokane AWTP (CH2M-Hill, 1997). Effluent hardness from Kaiser IWTP was assumed to be a lower value of 120 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on the mixture of river and groundwater used for the production process.
- Effluent total recoverable cadmium, lead, and zinc were assumed to be approximate maximum values reported by the SRDG (0.3 ug/L cadmium, 2.5 ug/L lead, and 100 ug/L zinc).
- The ratio of dissolved/total recoverable metals was assumed to equal the conversion factor for the chronic criteria evaluated at the hardness of the river water. The effluent was assumed to partition at the same ratio of dissolved/total recoverable metals as the river at the mixing zone boundaries and after completely mixing with river water.
- The hardness for the outflow from Lake Coeur d'Alene was assumed to be 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>. This represents the seasonal 10<sup>th</sup> percentiles for the low flow (July-February) and high flow (March-June) seasons (Pelletier, 1994), and also the 5<sup>th</sup> percentile of hardness from all seasons. Hardness was not found to be correlated with flow at the upstream end of the Spokane River (Appendix C).
- The hardness at river mile 85.3 and 66 was assumed to equal the 10% prediction limits from the regression equations with flow presented in Appendix C.
- The dissolved cadmium, lead, and zinc in the outlet of Lake Coeur d'Alene was assumed to equal the upper 90% prediction limit from the regression equations with flow presented in Appendix C for river mile 96-100.7.
- The dissolved cadmium, lead, and zinc at river mile 63.5-69.9 was assumed to equal the upper 90% prediction limit from the regression equations with flow presented in Appendix C.

Relationships between hardness, metals, and flow are known at various locations in the Spokane River based on long-term ambient monitoring data (Appendix C). The model was calibrated for hardness by starting with the known upstream hardness and trying various values for groundwater hardness until the mass balance model predicted the observed downstream hardness. After the hardness was calibrated, the same approach was used to estimate the dissolved cadmium, lead, and zinc of the aquifer/tributary inflow. Appendix C presents the results of model calibration of aquifer hardness and metals.

## Model Application to Various Scenarios of Effluent and River Flows

The calibrated mass balance model was next used to estimate concentrations of metals in the river for a variety of river flows and effluent flows (Appendix D). The model was used to evaluate whether water quality standards would be violated in the river if the effluent meets end-of-pipe limits based on effluent hardness. The following assumptions were made:

- The hardness for the outflow from Lake Coeur d'Alene was assumed to equal 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.
- The dissolved cadmium, lead, and zinc in the outlet of Lake Coeur d'Alene were assumed to equal the chronic criteria for protection of aquatic life at the hardness of the river.
- The dissolved cadmium and zinc in the effluent from NPDES dischargers were assumed to equal the chronic criteria for protection of aquatic life for the hardness of the effluent (Figure 2).
- The ratio of dissolved/total recoverable cadmium and zinc was assumed to equal the conversion factor for the chronic criteria evaluated at the hardness of the effluent or river water. The ratio of dissolved/total recoverable metals in the effluent was used to test whether criteria were met in the effluent. The effluent was assumed to partition at the same ratio of dissolved/total recoverable metals as the river at the mixing zone boundaries and after completely mixing with river water.
- For lead, the convex shape of the criterion curve precludes the use of the conversion factor as a default translators to a total recoverable lead limit. Appendix E presents a spreadsheet illustrating the problem. Two hypothetical waters are mixed, and total recoverable lead is tracked. The use of the default translation causes the effluent to exceed the water quality criterion at certain dilutions. Therefore, the total recoverable lead in the effluent from NPDES dischargers was assumed to equal the value predicted from the tangent line for the chronic criteria for total recoverable lead shown in Figure 3. Appendix E presents a comparison of alternative methods for estimating the WLA for total recoverable lead.
- Aquifer inflow/outflow rates were estimated as presented in Table 2.

- Effluent hardness and aquifer hardness, dissolved cadmium, lead, and zinc were as estimated during calibration.

Various combinations of effluent and river flows were evaluated as follows:

- Current effluent flows combined with outlet flows from Lake Coeur d'Alene of 300, 2,000, and 20,000 cfs.
- 20-year projected effluent flows combined with outlet flows from Lake Coeur d'Alene of 300, 2,000, and 20,000 cfs (this scenario was run for zinc only because the conclusions for zinc were expected to be representative of cadmium and lead also).
- 50-year projected effluent flows combined with outlet flows from Lake Coeur d'Alene of 300, 2,000, and 20,000 cfs (this scenario was run for zinc only because the conclusions for Zinc were expected to be representative of cadmium and lead also).
- 20-times current effluent flows combined with outlet flows from Lake Coeur d'Alene of 300, 2,000, and 20,000 cfs. This scenario was chosen to show the potential effect of extremely high flow rates from NPDES dischargers.

The results of the model runs (Appendix D) show that the water quality standards for cadmium and zinc would not be exceeded in the river if the effluent meets end-of-pipe limits based on effluent hardness. The water quality criteria for lead would not be violated if the maximum concentration of total recoverable lead in the effluent does not exceed the value predicted from the tangent line for the equation for the chronic criteria for total recoverable lead shown in Figure 3. The relationship between effluent-based criteria and receiving water quality holds for all river and effluent flow rates.

## Proposed TMDL Approach

Permit limits for all point source discharges to the Spokane River will be established by comparing potential limits based on meeting aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness with AKART limits based on maintaining existing concentrations of metals in effluent, where adequate data exist. Whichever method results in lower limits will be selected for the permit. AKART based limits would be reevaluated at each permit re-issuance. These limits may change over time, but could never exceed the aquatic life criteria based limits. This method should not result in any unreasonable compliance issues and minimizes the addition of metals to a system already exceeding the criteria due to pollutant loading from an upstream state. This is consistent with the intent of anti-degradation policy of the federal Clean Water Act and the policy enunciated in the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act (RCW 90.48) requiring "... all known available and reasonable methods by industries and others to prevent and control the pollution of the waters of the state ...".

The use of effluent hardness in the criteria equations to determine the potential limits will be termed the "effluent-based criterion" approach. There are several ways to illustrate the effect of effluent hardness on river metals conditions. In simple terms, applying the effluent-based criterion is analogous to treating the effluent discharge as if it were a tributary that has higher hardness levels than the river. The tributary would be allowed to achieve less stringent (*i.e.*, higher) metals criteria by virtue of its elevated hardness levels. Similarly, the criteria applied to protect the mainstem would be more stringent due to its lower hardness levels. The focus of concern then becomes the point of mixing between the tributary and river.

The analogy to a tributary can be extended to selection of a load allocation (LA) for a tributary or a WLA for a point source. The LA for a tributary to a water quality-limited river would be the existing concentration in the tributary if it is lower than the criteria at the hardness of the tributary. Similarly, the permit limits for the NPDES dischargers will be either the potential limits based on meeting criteria at effluent hardness, or the potential limits based on maintaining existing concentrations (performance-based), whichever is more restrictive.

Waste load allocations (WLAs) are established as a maximum discharge concentration (micrograms per liter, or ug/L) rather than a discharge loading (pounds per day). TMDL regulations allow for the use of allocations in mass per time or "other appropriate measure" (40 CFR 130.2). In this case, a concentration measure is appropriate because the relationship between the effluent-based criterion and receiving water quality holds for all effluent flow rates. The use of effluent flow to establish a loading limit would not only be unnecessary, but also could be misconstrued to represent a restriction on effluent flow. Also, a loading limit could require unnecessary TMDL and permit modifications to change loading limits as communities grow and flows increase.

## **Waste Load Allocations (based on meeting the aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness)**

For cadmium and zinc, potential limits based on aquatic life criteria for all point source discharges to the Spokane River are estimated from the water quality criteria associated with the effluent hardness. For lead, limits based on aquatic life criteria are estimated from the point on a line tangent to the lead criterion curve (intersecting the curve at the river hardness value) associated with the effluent hardness. Figure 4 shows the recommended equations for each metal.

The chronic aquatic life criteria are expressed as 4-day-average dissolved metal concentrations. The 5th percentile value of the effluent hardness for each facility should be used by permit writers to establish aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness for derivation of potential limits. Permit writers will also translate the dissolved criteria into total recoverable metal limitations pursuant to the NPDES regulations and Ecology's Permit Writer's Manual.

The hardness of the wastewater effluent is significantly higher than the hardness of the Spokane River. The metals criteria for protection of aquatic life are based on hardness, because the toxicity of metals to aquatic life decreases as hardness increases. Thus, as the Spokane River flows downstream, its loading capacity (its total maximum daily load) for metals increases due to inflows of higher hardness water (mainly groundwater and to a lesser extent effluent discharges). While the loading capacity changes are relatively minor on the Idaho stretch of the river, changes in river hardness and flow due to groundwater inflows and effluent discharges result in significant loading capacity increases in Washington.

Because of the concave shape (bending downward) of the cadmium and zinc criteria curves (Figure 2), any combination of cadmium, zinc, and hardness for the discharge that falls below the curve will mix with river water to form a mixture that also falls below the curve. Therefore, in this situation, the effluent-based criterion approach is protective of state water quality standards. However, for lead, the criterion curve is convex, or bending upward, leaving open the possibility that a mixture could exceed the criterion even when the waters individually fall below the criterion (a straight line between two points on the criterion curve will fall above the curve). If discharges do not exceed the lead concentration on the tangent line associated with the effluent hardness, the lead criterion will not be exceeded in the mixture of effluent and river water (Figure 3).

The criterion curve for lead also affects the options available for translating a dissolved lead WLA into a total recoverable lead WLA for NPDES permitting. This issue is discussed later in this document in the "Example Calculations" section.

## Potential Limits (based on performance)

Washington State law (RCW 90.48) requires that dischargers use all known available and reasonable methods to prevent and control the pollution of the waters of the state (AKART). A performance-based assessment of existing condition in the effluent is a good measure of what can be reasonably achieved using the existing technology. Performance-based limits would be established using the statistical methods in Ecology's Permit Writer's Manual (Ecology, 1998) and EPA's Technical Support Document (EPA, 1991). These performance-based limits would be reevaluated during each permit re-issuance.

Since many dischargers do not have adequate data to estimate the effluent concentration of metals, a monitoring program will need to be established. Ecology's Permit Writer's Manual recommends that greater than 10 samples are required to estimate effluent variability. Therefore, the recommended minimum sampling frequency is monthly sampling for at least 12 months to provide sufficient data to estimate effluent quality of metals. The sampling and analysis methods should be conducted under a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Project Plan (QAPP) that describes the methods to be used. EPA's 1600-series methods (EPA, 1995) are recommended for sampling trace metal concentrations that are less than detection limits for the usual 40 CFR Part 136 methods, unless the QAPP demonstrates that alternative methods are sufficient to measure the expected concentrations.

## Implementation of WLAs in NPDES Permits

The WLAs will be implemented as permit limits in the NPDES permits for each facility. Using statistical permitting procedures, Ecology will determine whichever potential limits are more restrictive based on comparison of:

- Potential limits based on meeting aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness, or
- Potential limits based on maintaining existing concentrations of metals in effluent (AKART), where adequate data exist.

Whichever method results in lower limits will be selected for the permit limit.

## Example Calculations: WLAs for the Spokane AWTP

The following calculations are provided as an example of the waste load allocation method for each facility. The example calculation is performed for the City of Spokane Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant (SAWTP). During permit development, similar calculations would be performed for each facility, based on the effluent hardness and metals data available to the permit writers.

A Microsoft Excel spreadsheet was developed to perform the calculations (Appendix F). The equations used in the spreadsheet are presented in Appendix G. Appendices F and G should be consulted to follow the calculations presented in this example.

The equations that were used in the spreadsheet to calculate permit limits were taken from the EPA Technical Support Document for Water Quality-based Toxics Control (EPA, 1991), and have been widely used in the Ecology NPDES program (Ecology, 1998; *e.g.*, Ecology's PWSPREAD and TSDCALC7 spreadsheets).

### WLAs (based on meeting the aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness)

#### 1. *Estimated 5th percentile hardness*

SAWTP has collected 234 samples of effluent hardness between 6/25/96 and 2/18/98. The 5th percentile hardness for this sample set is estimated to be 138 mg/L.

#### 2. *Chronic aquatic life criteria*

The following calculations were performed to establish the chronic aquatic life criteria (ALC) for cadmium, lead, and zinc for the SAWTP facility.

- Chronic ALC for dissolved cadmium =  $(1.101672 - [\ln(\text{hardness})(.041838)]) * (e^{(.7852[\ln(\text{hardness})] - 3.49)}) = 1.31 \text{ ug/L}$
- Chronic ALC for dissolved lead =  $0.02378(\text{hardness}) - 0.05505 = 3.23 \text{ ug/L}$  dissolved Lead
- Chronic ALC for dissolved zinc =  $.986e^{(.8473[\ln(\text{hardness})] + .7614)} = 137 \text{ ug/L}$

*3. Ratio of total recoverable/dissolved metals, and*

*4. Chronic aquatic life criteria for total recoverable metals*

For cadmium and zinc, default conversion factors in the federal criteria can be used to translate dissolved criteria to total recoverable metals. The conversion factors are  $1/(1.101672 - [\ln(\text{hardness}) * (.041838)])$  for cadmium, and  $1/.986$  for zinc. For the SAWTP facility, with a hardness of 138 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>, the default translators are 1.12 for cadmium and 1.01 for zinc.

Development of effluent-specific translators is also allowable, using parallel total recoverable and dissolved effluent samples to derive a conservative ratio of total recoverable-to-dissolved metals. Translators based on ratios in the river should be used if they are more restrictive than ratios for effluent.

The chronic aquatic life criteria, in terms of total recoverable cadmium and zinc, for the SAWTP example are as follows:

- Chronic ALC for total recoverable cadmium = 1.46 ug/L
- Chronic ALC for total recoverable zinc = 139 ug/L

For lead, the convex shape of the criterion curve precludes the use of the conversion factor as a default translator to a total recoverable lead limit. The use of the default translation causes the effluent to exceed the water quality criterion at certain dilutions (Appendix E).

As with cadmium and zinc, an effluent-specific translator is allowable. Development of this translator will require characterization of total recoverable and dissolved concentrations at a number of points between 0 and 100% effluent (diluted with ambient water, sampled at the same time) to ensure that the translator is protective of the dissolved criterion at all points of mixing.

Another option for developing total recoverable lead limits is to convert the dissolved criterion curve to the associated total recoverable criterion curve using the default conversion factor (see Figure 3). Then a tangent line to this curve at the river hardness value is used as the chronic aquatic life criterion for total recoverable lead, rather than using the dissolved criterion tangent (Figure 4) and an effluent-specific translator.

Using this approach and Figure 3 in the SAWTP example, the chronic aquatic life criterion for total recoverable Lead is:

- Chronic ALC for total recoverable lead = 3.49 ug/L total recoverable lead

*5. Number of samples ( $n_2$ ) required per month for compliance monitoring*

For the SAWTP example, 2 samples per month were assumed as a requirement for compliance monitoring. This number could be changed to any reasonable value between once per month and daily sampling.

*6. Coefficient of variation for effluent metals*

Effluent samples for metals were collected by SAWTP between 7/12/96 and 4/2/98. The coefficients of variation for cadmium, lead, and zinc were estimated from the 31 samples collected:

- CV for total recoverable cadmium = 0.431
- CV for total recoverable lead = 0.335
- CV for total recoverable zinc = 0.283

*7. Calculate maximum daily and average monthly permit limits from the aquatic life criteria*

The statistical method for calculating permit limits from the aquatic life criteria is presented in the EPA's Technical Support Document for Water Quality-based Toxics Control (EPA, 1991). A spreadsheet was developed to simplify the calculation procedure (Appendix F). Equations for the spreadsheet are presented in Appendix G.

The first step is to back-calculate a long-term average (LTA) concentration of metals that corresponds to the chronic aquatic life criteria (ALC). The LTAs for cadmium, lead, and zinc are as follows:

- LTA for total recoverable cadmium = 0.91 ug/L
- LTA for total recoverable lead = 2.4 ug/L
- LTA for total recoverable zinc = 101 ug/L

The next step is to calculate the maximum daily limit (MDL). The maximum daily limits (MDLs) for cadmium, lead, and zinc are as follows:

- MDL for total recoverable cadmium = 2.2 ug/L
- MDL for total recoverable lead = 4.9 ug/L
- MDL for total recoverable zinc = 186 ug/L

The last step is to calculate the average monthly limits (AML). The average monthly limits (AMLs) for cadmium, lead, and zinc are as follows:

- AML for total recoverable cadmium = 1.4 ug/L
- AML for total recoverable lead = 3.4 ug/L
- AML for total recoverable zinc = 138 ug/L

## Potential Limits Based on Performance

A performance-based assessment of the existing condition in the effluent is a good measure of what can be reasonably achieved using the existing technology. Performance-based limits would be established using the statistical methods in Ecology's Permit Writer's Manual (Ecology, 1998) and EPA's Technical Support Document (EPA, 1991). This evaluation would occur during each permit re-issuance cycle and would be documented in the Fact Sheet. The Fact Sheet is the basis document for each permit. While these performance-based limits may change over time they could never exceed the aquatic life criteria based limits.

Since many dischargers do not have adequate data to estimate the effluent concentration of metals, a monitoring program will need to be established. Ecology's Permit Writer's Manual recommends that greater than 10 samples are required to estimate effluent variability. Therefore, the recommended minimum sampling frequency is monthly sampling for at least 12 months to provide sufficient data to estimate effluent quality of metals.

## Waste Load Allocations (the most restrictive of limits based on aquatic life criteria or performance)

The last step is to assign permit limits in terms of maximum daily and average monthly limits for the NPDES permits. The potential limits based on steps I and II above will be compared, and the most restrictive values will be chosen. This would be documented in the Fact Sheet during each permit re-issuance cycle.

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## **Figures**

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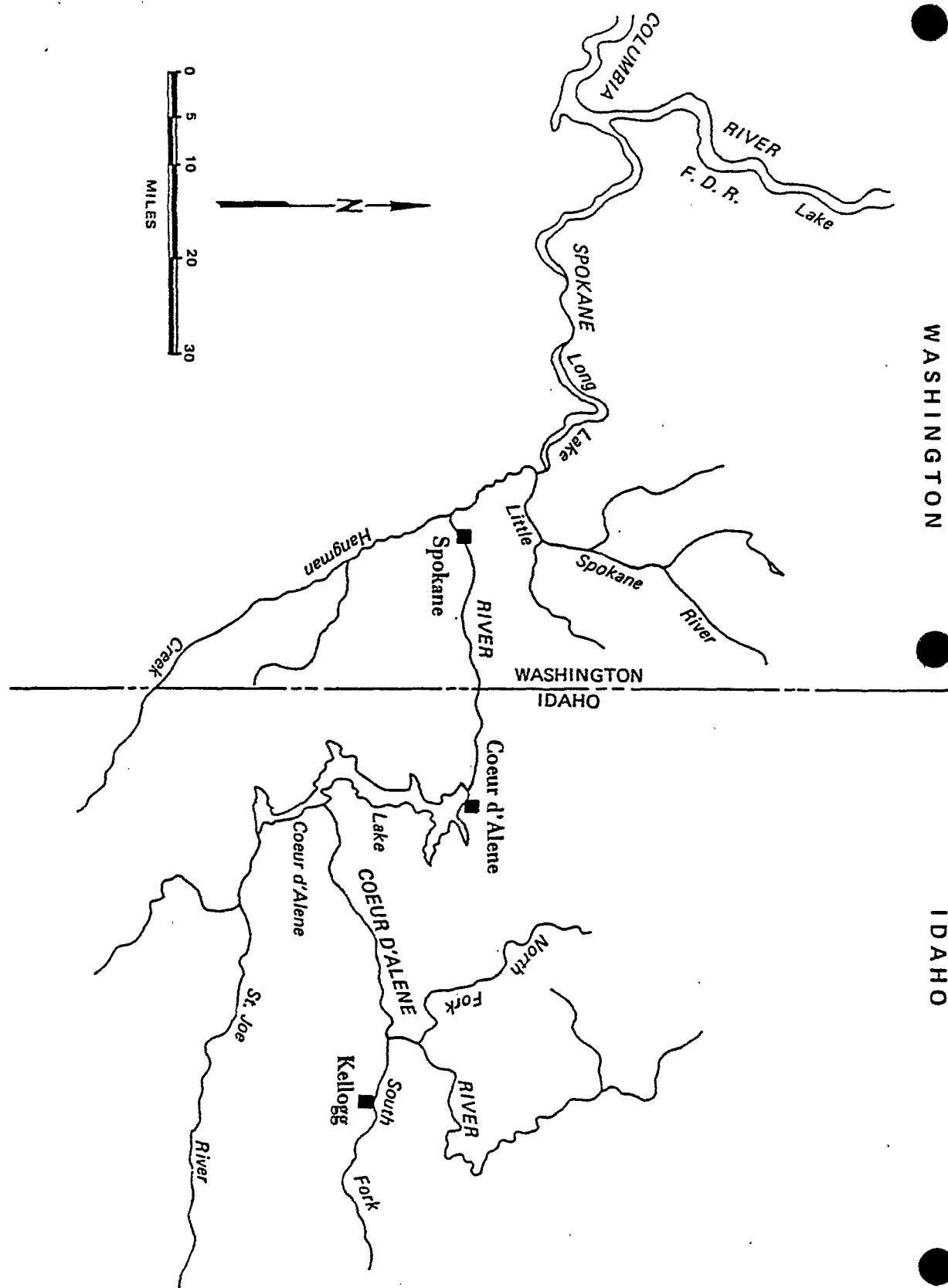


Figure 1. SPOKANE RIVER DRAINAGE SYSTEM

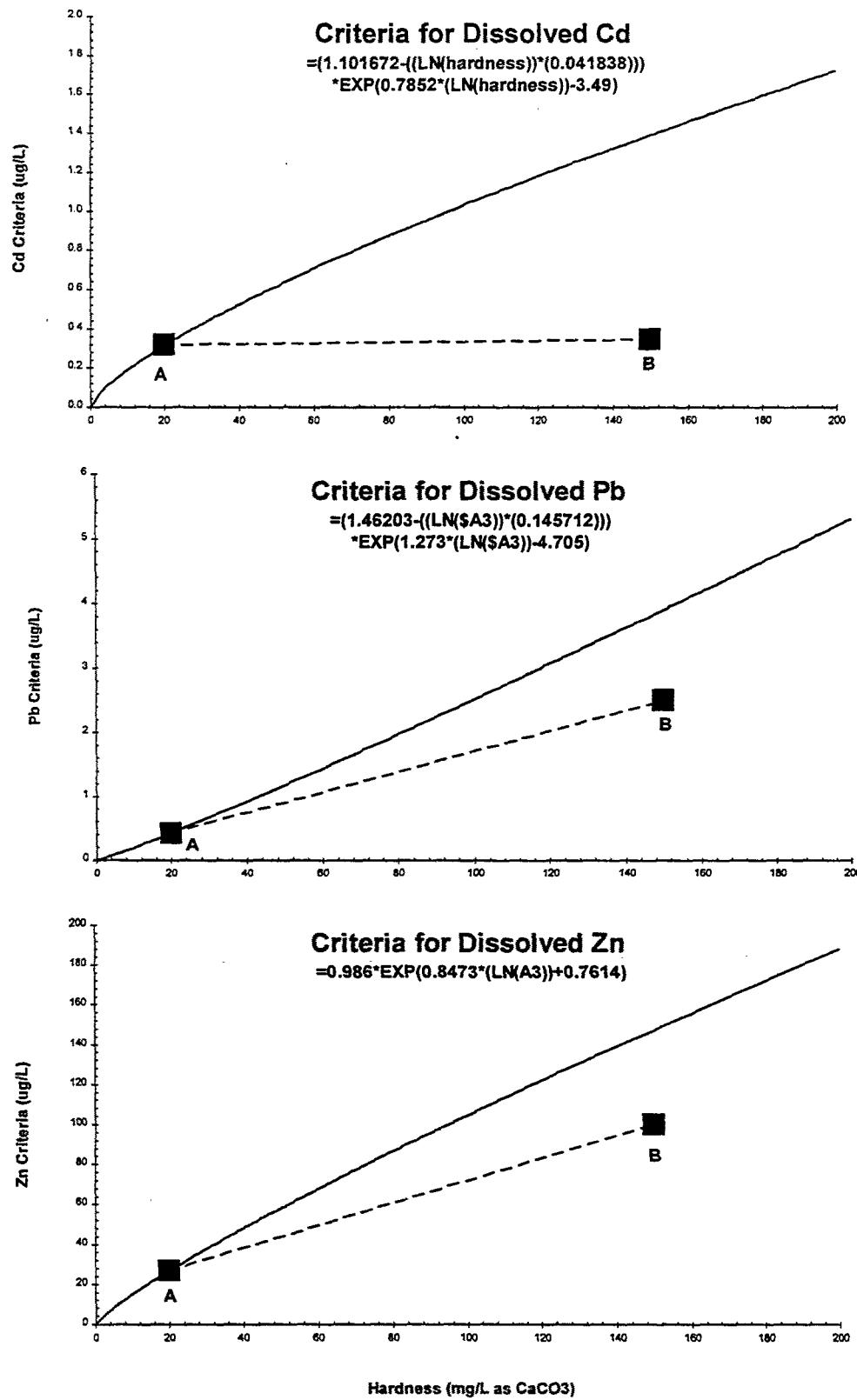


Figure 2. Chronic aquatic life criteria for dissolved Cd, Pb, and Zn.

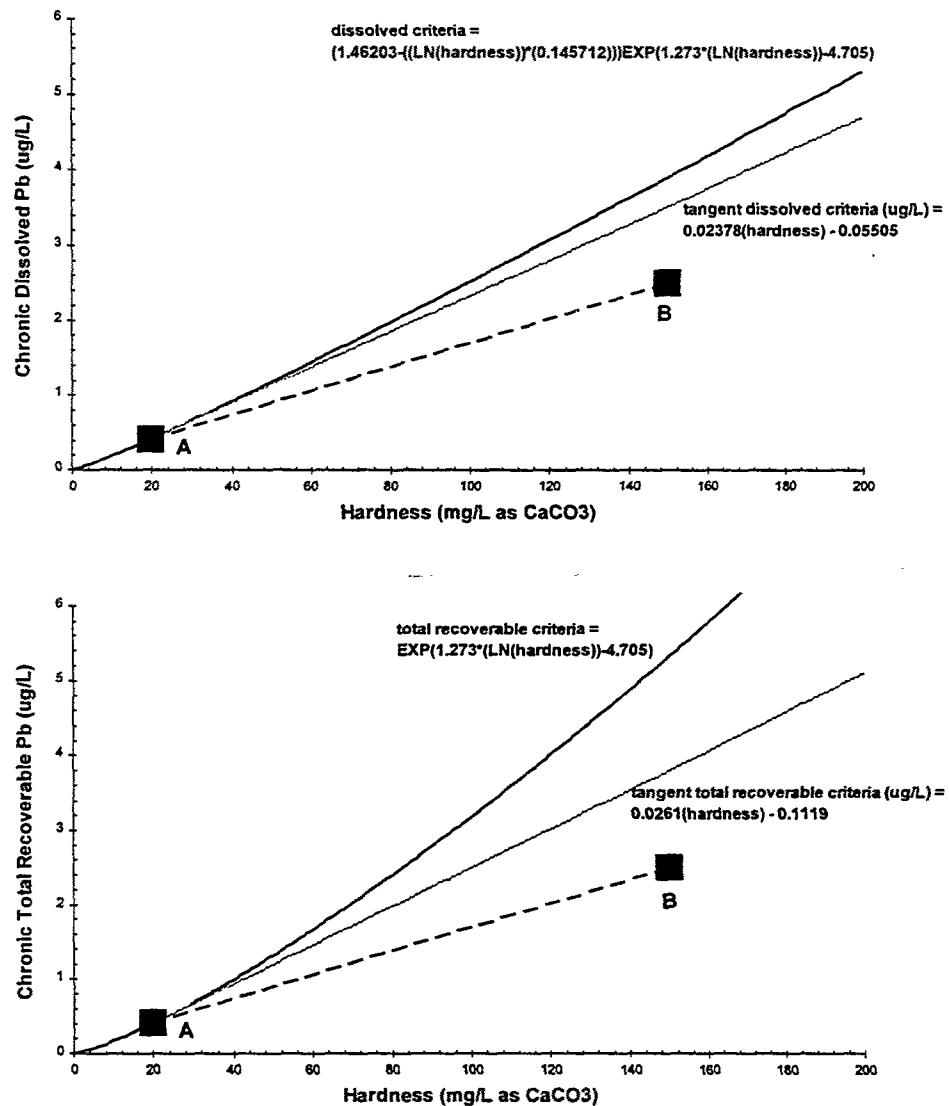


Figure 3. Chronic aquatic life criteria for dissolved Pb and total recoverable Pb (assuming the translator equals the conversion factor).

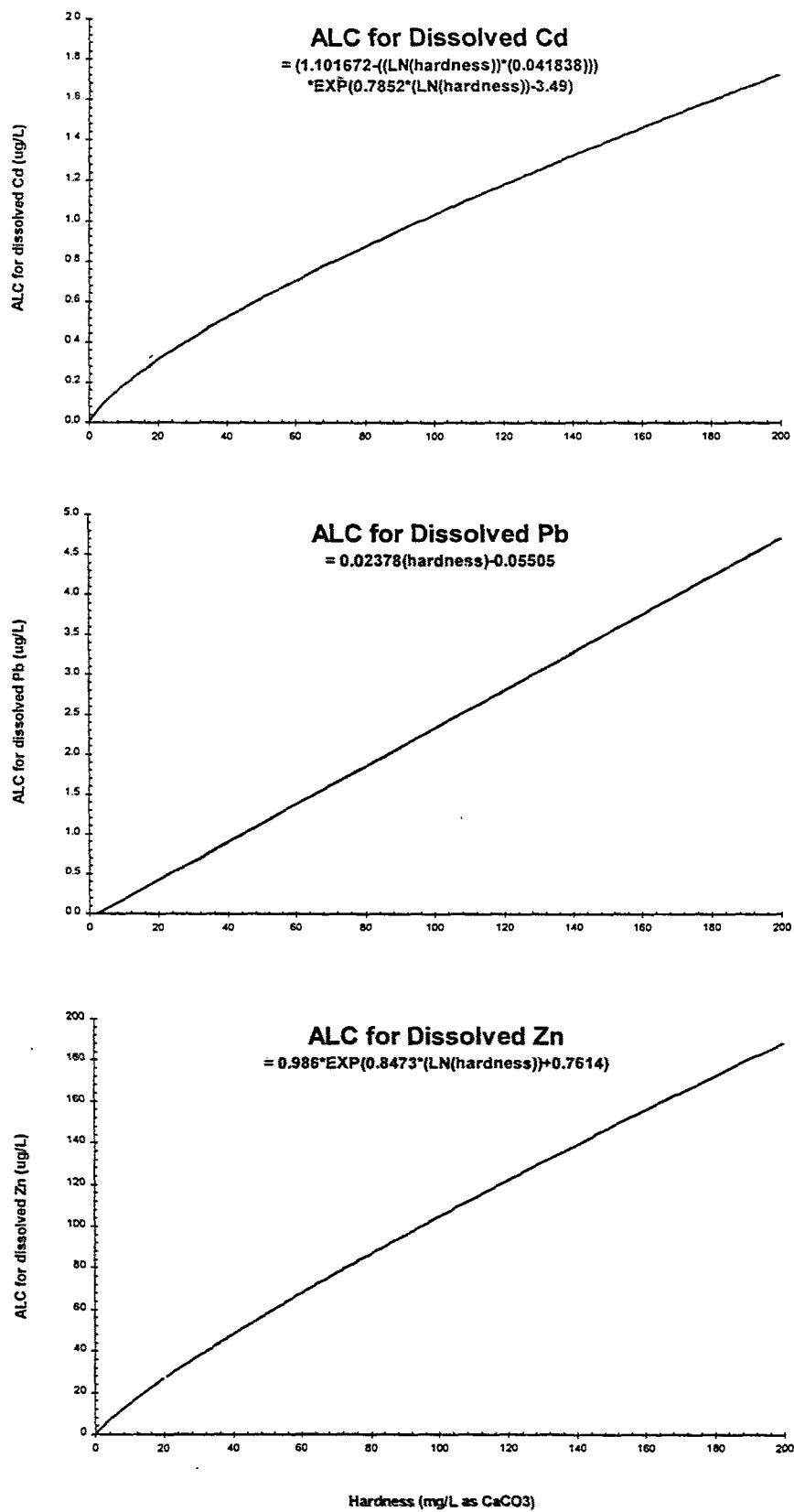


Figure 4. Recommended aquatic life criteria (ALC) for effluent dissolved Cd, Pb, and Zn for calculation of permit limits.

## **Tables**



Table 1. Current and projected future effluent design flows from NPDES dischargers to the Spokane River.

NPDES Discharger	Current		20-Year Projection	50-Year Projection	20-Times Current (1)
	mgd	cfs	cfs	cfs	cfs
City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.3	13	18	186
HARSB POTW	1.3	2.0	3.4	8.4	40
City of Post Falls (includes City of Rathdrum) POTW	3.1	4.8	6.3	21	96
Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.5	1.9	2.6	31
Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	23.3	36	45	54	72
Inland Empire Paper Company IWTP	4	6.2	7.7	9.3	12
City of Spokane AWTP	44	68	84	118	1362
Total:	83	128	161	231	1799

1) for "20-times current", the current flow rates from industrial dischargers were doubled instead of multiplying by 20 to provide an extreme worst-case for illustrative purposes.

Table 2. Estimated aquifer and tributary inflows and outflows at various scenarios of outflow from Lake Coeur d'Alene.

Spokane River Model Reach Number	Up-stream River Mile	Down-stream River Mile	Equation to Estimate Aquifer Inflow/Outflow from Lake Coeur d'Alene Outflow (cfs)	Inflow/Outflow (cfs)	Inflow/Outflow (cfs)	Inflow/Outflow (cfs)
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outflow (Qcda):	300	2,000	20,000
1	111.7	106.6				
2	106.6	101.7				
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow = $37.46-(0.031367*Qcda)$	28	-25	-88
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow = $15.77-(0.013207*Qcda)$	12	-11	-37
5	93.0	90.4				
6	90.4	87.8				
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow = $288.97+(0.048167*Qcda)$	303	385	482
8	85.3	82.6				
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Inflow = -256.2	-256	-256	-256
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow = $338.54+(0.056428*Qcda)$	355	451	564
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow = -179.7	-180	-180	-180
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer = $3.3+(0.007237*Qcda)+135.53+(0.012548*Qcda)$	145	178	218
13	69.8	67.6	Aquifer Inflow = 42.75	43	43	43
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow = 58.3	58	58	58
Total net aquifer inflow/outflow over all reaches:				509	644	804

## **Appendices**

## **Appendix A**

## Derivation of the tangent equation for the chronic criteria for dissolved Lead

The tangent to the Lead criterion curve for any point can be found by taking the first derivative and evaluating it at that point. The numerical formula for the first derivative of the criterion curve at a hardness of 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> is as follows using the symmetrical central difference approximation:

$$dy/dx = (f(x+h) - f(x-h)) / 2h$$

where:

y = chronic Lead criteria equation =  $f(x)$   
=  $(1.46203 - ((\ln(x)) * (0.145712))) * \text{EXP}(1.273 * (\ln(x)) - 4.705)$

x = hardness (20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> for the critical river hardness)

h = small deviation in hardness (0.001 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>)

dy/dx = first derivative of the Lead criteria equation, which is the slope of the tangent equation

for x=20 and h=0.001, the first derivative is calculated from the following steps:

$$f(x+h) = (1.46203 - ((\ln(20.001)) * (0.145712))) * \text{EXP}(1.273 * (\ln(20.001)) - 4.705)  
= 0.420554791$$

$$f(x-h) = (1.46203 - ((\ln(19.999)) * (0.145712))) * \text{EXP}(1.273 * (\ln(19.999)) - 4.705)  
= 0.420507233$$

$$\begin{aligned} dy/dx &= (f(x+h) - f(x-h)) / 2h \\ &= (0.420554791 - 0.420507233) / (0.002) \\ &= 0.023779 \\ &\approx 0.02378 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the slope of the tangent equation at a hardness of 20 mg/L is 0.02378. The intercept (b) for the equation for the tangent is calculated from the equation for a straight line:

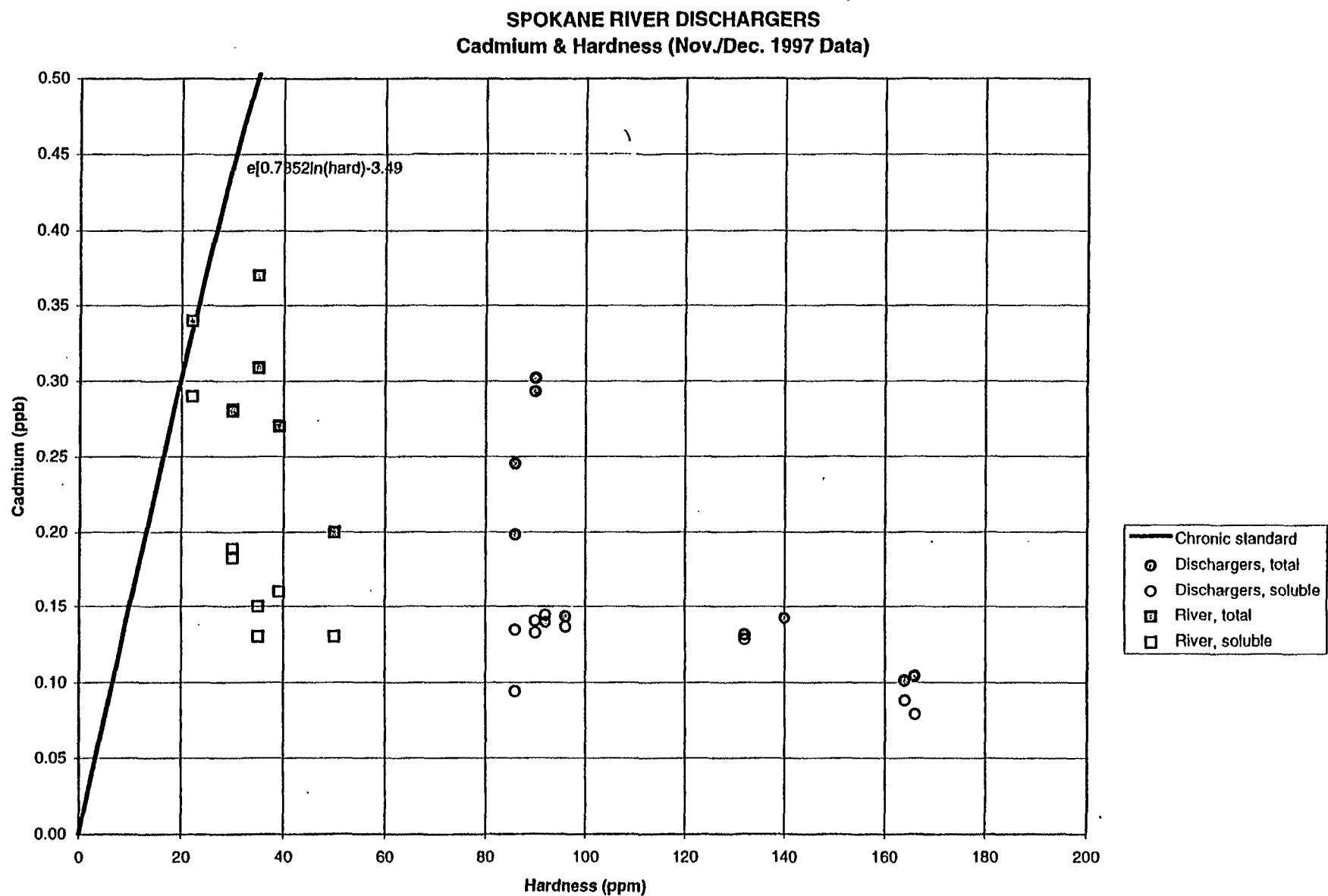
$$y = x(dy/dx) + b$$

which can be rearranged to solved for the intercept b:

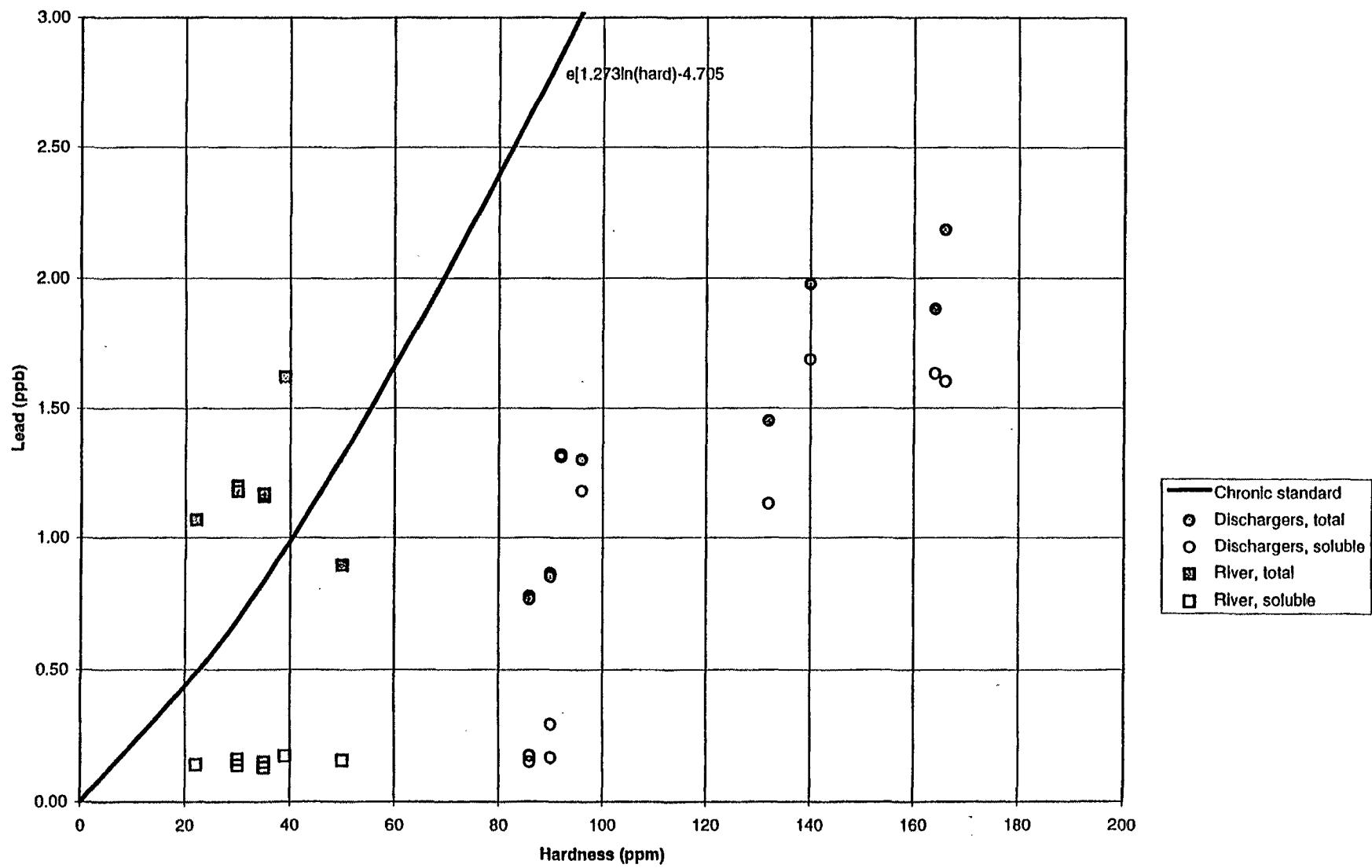
x = hardness (20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> for the critical river hardness)  
y =  $(1.46203 - ((\ln(20)) * (0.145712))) * \text{EXP}(1.273 * (\ln(20)) - 4.705)$   
= 0.420531012  
dy/dx = 0.023779  
b = y - x(dy/dx)  
= 0.420531012 - 20(0.023779)  
= -0.05505

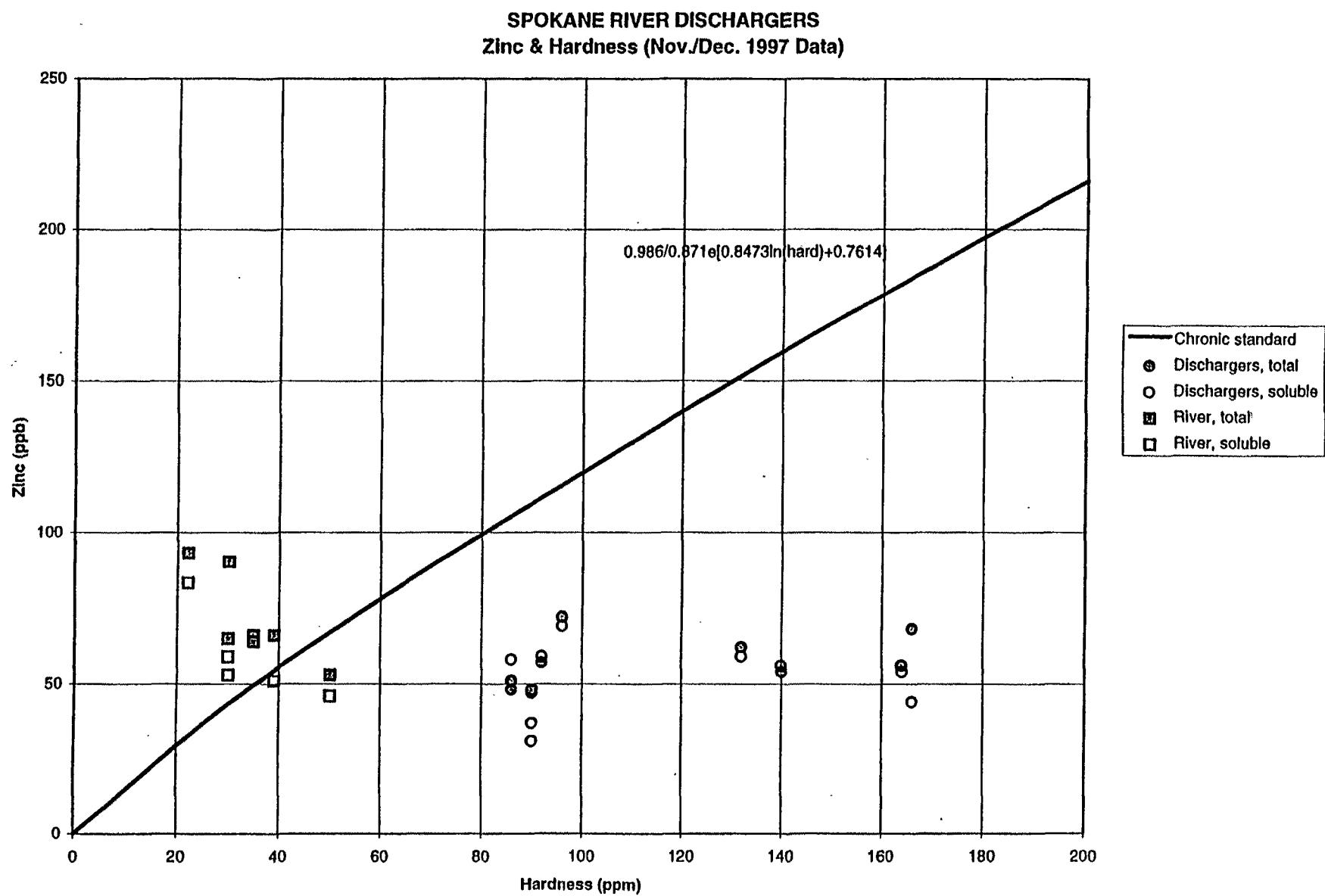
## **Appendix B**





SPOKANE RIVER DISCHARGERS  
Lead & Hardness (Nov./Dec. 1997 Data)





## CADMIUM

**SPOKANE RIVER DISCHARGERS**  
**OUTFALL CADMIUM & HARDNESS CONCENTRATIONS**

**CHRONIC STANDARD****HARD (PPM) CAD STND. (PPB)**

0.001	0.00
30	0.44
60	0.76
90	1.04
120	1.31
150	1.56
180	1.80
200	1.95

DATE	OUTFALL	OUTFALL CONC.		RIVER CONC.		FILTERED?
		CADMUM (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	CADMUM (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	
11/21/97	SPK	0.101	164	0.20	50	NO
	SPK	0.088	164	0.13	50	YES
12/5/97	SPK	0.104	166	0.27	39	NO
	SPK	0.079	166	0.16	39	YES
12/9/97	CDA	0.142	140	0.34	22	NO
	CDA	0.142	140	0.29	22	YES
12/12/97	KAI	0.198	86	0.281	30	NO
	KAI	0.245	86	0.28	30	NO
12/18/97	KAI	0.134	86	0.189	30	YES
	KAI	0.094	86	0.183	30	YES
12/12/97	KAI	0.14	90	0.13	35	YES
	KAI	0.132	90	0.15	35	YES
12/18/97	KAI	0.293	90	0.37	35	NO
	KAI	0.302	90	0.309	35	NO
12/18/97	CDA	0.131	132			NO
	CDA	0.128	132			YES
12/18/97	HAY	0.139	92			NO
	HAY	0.144	92			YES
12/18/97	POST	0.143	96			NO
	POST	0.136	96			YES

## LEAD

**SPOKANE RIVER DISCHARGERS  
OUTFALL LEAD & HARDNESS CONCENTRATIONS**

**CHRONIC STANDARD  
HARD (PPM) LEAD STND. (PPB)**

0.001	0.00
30	0.69
60	1.66
90	2.78
120	4.01
150	5.33
180	6.72
200	7.69

DATE	OUTFALL	OUTFALL CONC.		RIVER CONC.		FILTERED?
		LEAD (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	LEAD (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	
11/21/97	SPK	1.88	164	0.894	50	NO
	SPK	1.63	164	0.156	50	YES
12/5/97	SPK	2.18	166	1.62	39	NO
	SPK	1.6	166	0.173	39	YES
12/9/97	CDA	1.975	140	1.07	22	NO
	CDA	1.684	140	0.141	22	YES
12/12/97	KAI	0.775	86	1.2	30	NO
	KAI	0.764	86	1.18	30	NO
12/18/97	KAI	0.173	86	0.161	30	YES
	KAI	0.149	86	0.139	30	YES
12/12/97	KAI	0.291	90	0.13	35	YES
	KAI	0.165	90	0.15	35	YES
12/18/97	KAI	0.861	90	1.16	35	NO
	KAI	0.849	90	1.17	35	NO
12/18/97	CDA	1.45	132			NO
	CDA	1.13	132			YES
12/18/97	HAY	1.32	92			NO
	HAY	1.31	92			YES
12/18/97	POST	1.3	96			NO
	POST	1.18	96			YES

## ZINC

**SPOKANE RIVER DISCHARGERS**  
**OUTFALL ZINC & HARDNESS CONCENTRATIONS**

**CHRONIC STANDARD**

HARD (PPM) Zn STND. (PPB)

0.001	0
30	43
60	78
90	110
120	140
150	169
180	197
200	216

DATE	OUTFALL	OUTFALL CONC.		RIVER CONC.		FILTERED?
		ZINC (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	ZINC (PPB)	HARDNESS (PPM)	
11/21/97	SPK	56	164	53	50	NO
	SPK	54	164	46	50	YES
12/5/97	SPK	68	166	66	39	NO
	SPK	44	166	51	39	YES
12/9/97	CDA	54	140	93	22	NO
	CDA	56	140	83	22	YES
12/12/97	KAI	51	86	65	30	NO
	KAI	48	86	90	30	NO
12/18/97	KAI	51	86	53	30	YES
	KAI	58	86	59	30	YES
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	KAI	31	90	64	35	YES
12/18/97	KAI	47	90	66	35	NO
	KAI	48	90	64	35	NO
12/18/97	CDA	62	132			NO
	CDA	59	132			YES
12/18/97	HAY	57	92			NO
	HAY	59	92			YES
12/18/97	POST	72	96			NO
	POST	69	96			YES

## **Appendix C.1**

**Hardness data and relationship with flow  
(Pelletier, 1994)**





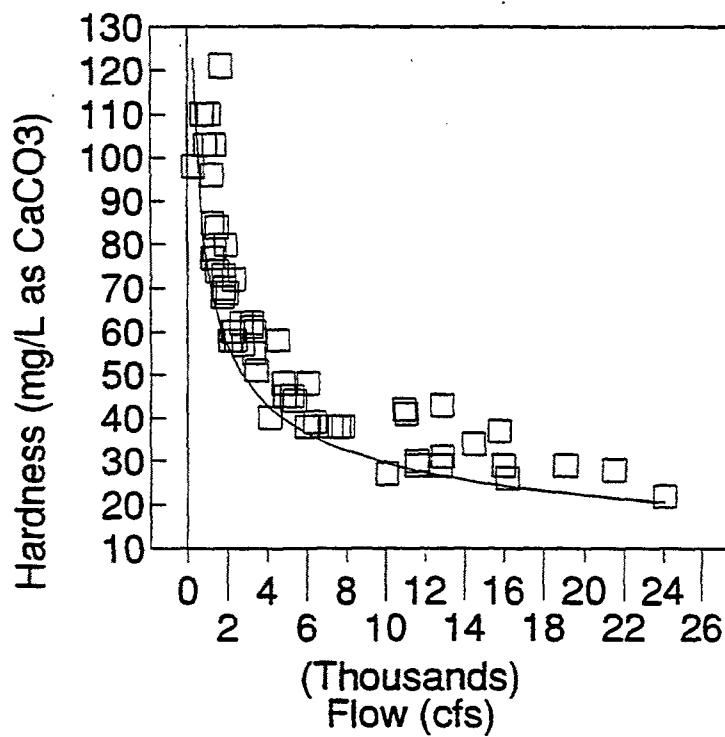
Regression of hardness and flow for station 54A120 (HARDREGR.WK1, 07-Apr-94 )

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TOTAL	1.950829	55	
LINEAR REGRESSION	1.724865	1	1.7248654
RESIDUAL	0.225963	54	0.0041845

Slope (B): -0.41026  
 Y intercept: 3.196130  
 R squared: 0.884170  
 F Statistic: 412.2020  
 Std Err of B: 0.020207  
 Std Err of Y estimate: 0.064687

Plot of observed hardness and lower 90% confidence limit of predicted hardness (using 1-tailed t-statistic, probability=0.10) at Station 54A120

Hardness vs Flow at 54A120 (Km 66)



□ Observation - Lwr 90% Pred. Limit

Comparison of hardness at Ecology  
stations 54A120 and 57A145, WY 1973 (sorted by 54A120)  
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Date	Hardness	Hardness
	(mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) at 54A120	(mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) at 57A145
	Rm 66	Rm 85.3
730424	31	23
721227	34	25
730327	35	27
730410	36	27
730313	36	26
721212	36	26
730320	37	26
730118	37	27
730612	41	27
730222	44	32
730925	48	33
730227	49	31
730626	52	33
730912	53	33
721010	58	35
721119	58	39
721031	61	39
730711	65	59
721129	66	41
730821	79	60
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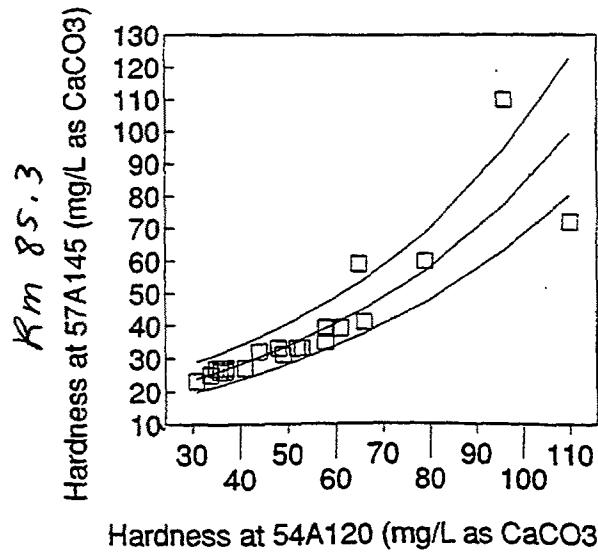
Regression of hardness at station 57A145 vs 54A120 (HARDREG2.WK1)

		Log		
Data from Oct-72 to Sep-73 sorted by 54A120	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	base 10	
	@ 54A120	@ 57A145		
	(RM 66.0)	(RM 85.3)		
X <sub>i</sub>	Y <sub>i</sub>	X <sub>i</sub> Y <sub>i</sub>	X <sub>i</sub> <sup>2</sup>	Y <sub>i</sub> <sup>2</sup>
31	1.361727	42.21356	961	1.854302
34	1.397940	47.52996	1156	1.954236
35	1.431363	50.09773	1225	2.048802
36	1.431363	51.52909	1296	2.048802
36	1.414973	50.93904	1296	2.002149
36	1.414973	50.93904	1296	2.002149
37	1.414973	52.35401	1369	2.002149
37	1.431363	52.96045	1369	2.048802
41	1.431363	58.68591	1681	2.048802
44	1.505149	66.22659	1936	2.265476
48	1.518513	72.88866	2304	2.305884
49	1.491361	73.07672	2401	2.224159
52	1.518513	78.96272	2704	2.305884
53	1.518513	80.48123	2809	2.305884
58	1.544068	89.55594	3364	2.384146
58	1.591064	92.28174	3364	2.531486
61	1.591064	97.05494	3721	2.531486
65	1.770852	115.1053	4225	3.135916
66	1.612783	106.4437	4356	2.601071
79	1.778151	140.4739	6241	3.161821
95	2.041392	195.9736	9216	4.167284
110	1.857332	204.3065	12100	3.449684
SUM :	1162	34.06880	1870.080	70390
N :	22			53.38038
MEAN :	52.81818	1.548582		

SOURCE OF VARIATION	SUM OF SQUARES	DEGREES OF FREEDOM	MEAN SQUARE
TOTAL	0.622041	21	
LINEAR REGRESSION	0.553323	1	0.553323
RESIDUAL	0.068717	20	0.003435

Slope (B): 0.007834  
Y-Intercept: 1.134788  
R squared: 0.889528  
F Statistic: 161.0423  
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Std Err of Y estimate: 0.058616

90% Prediction Limits



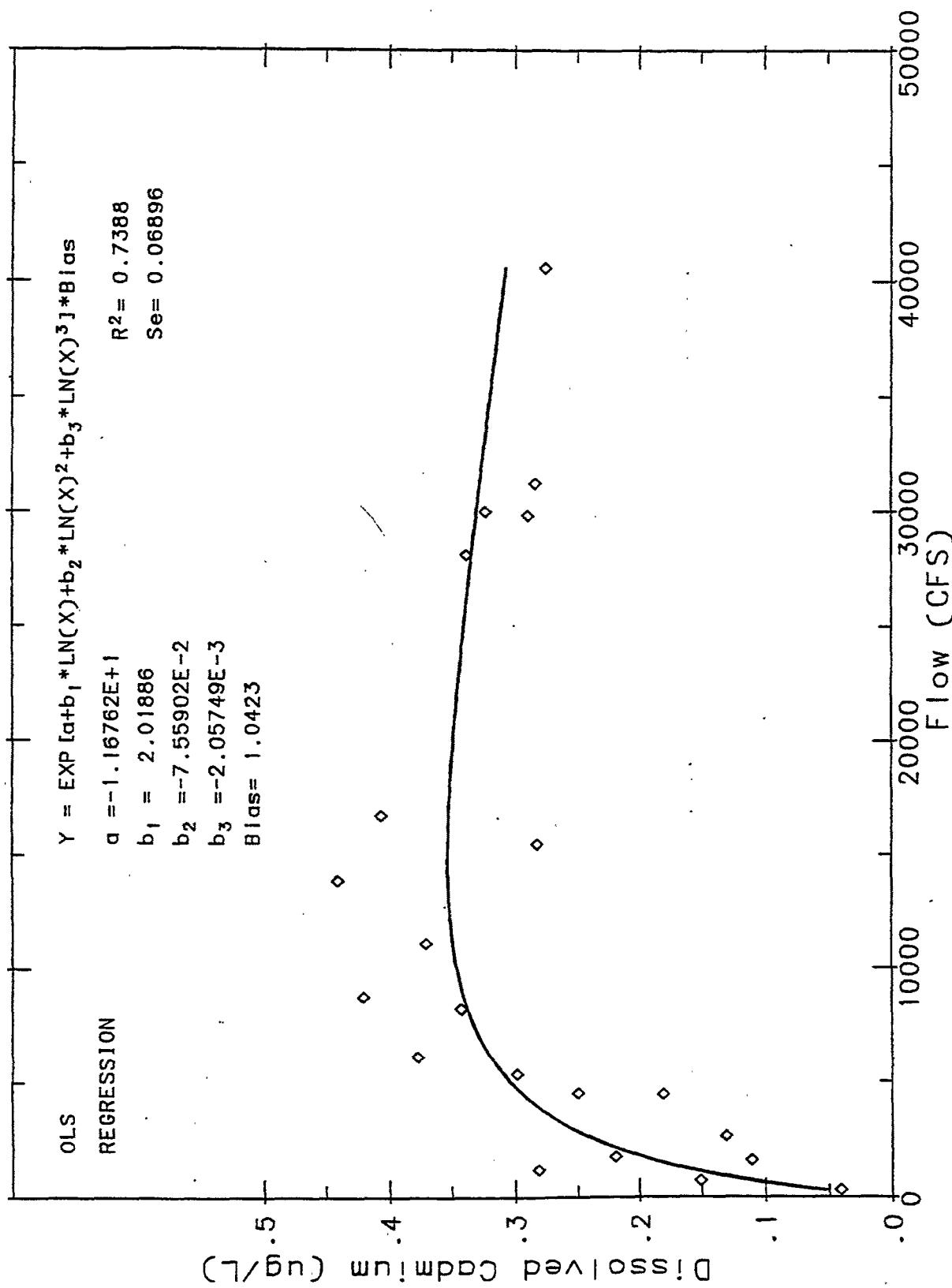
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Hardness at 57A145 (mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>)

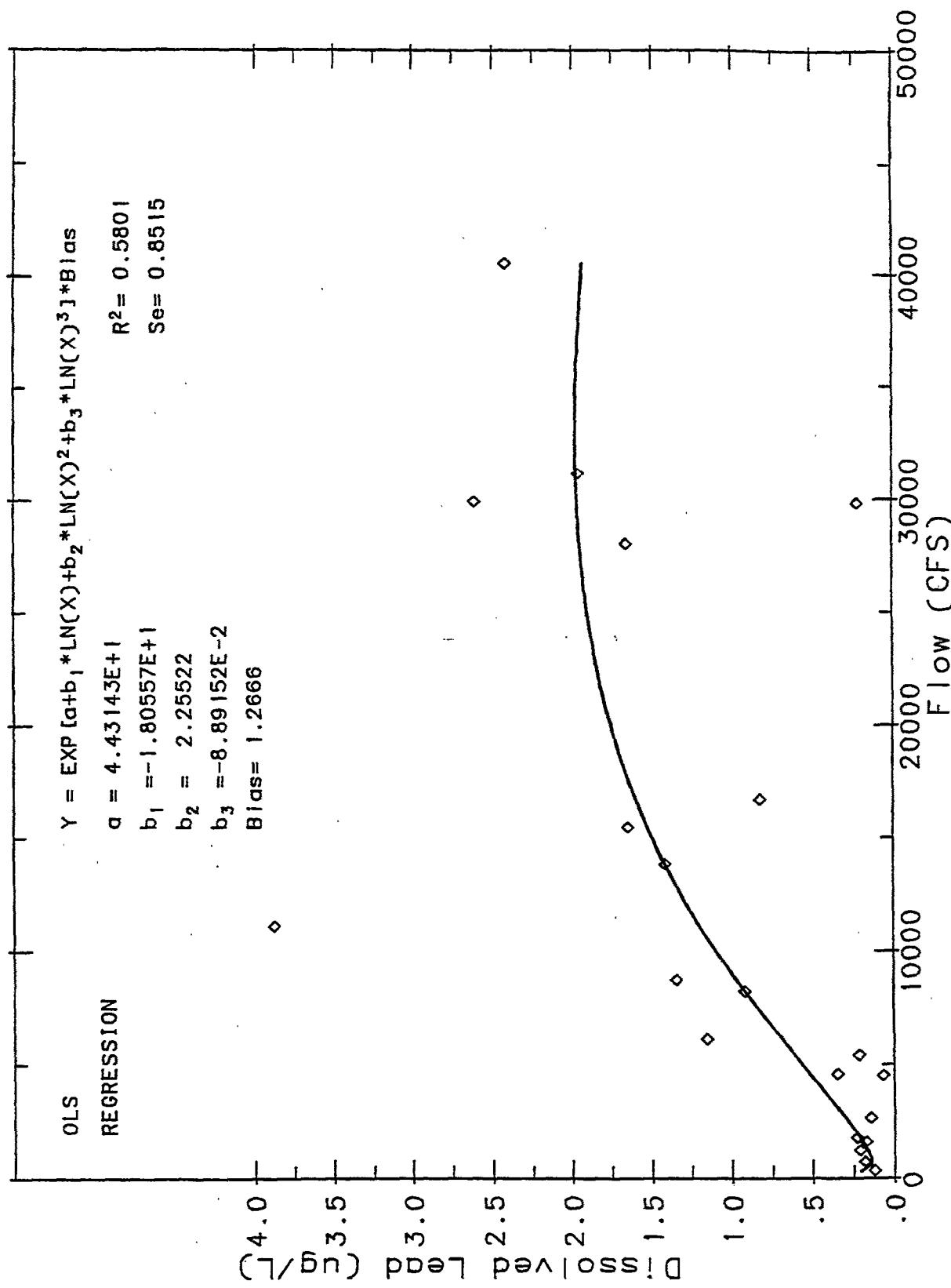
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## **Appendix C.2**

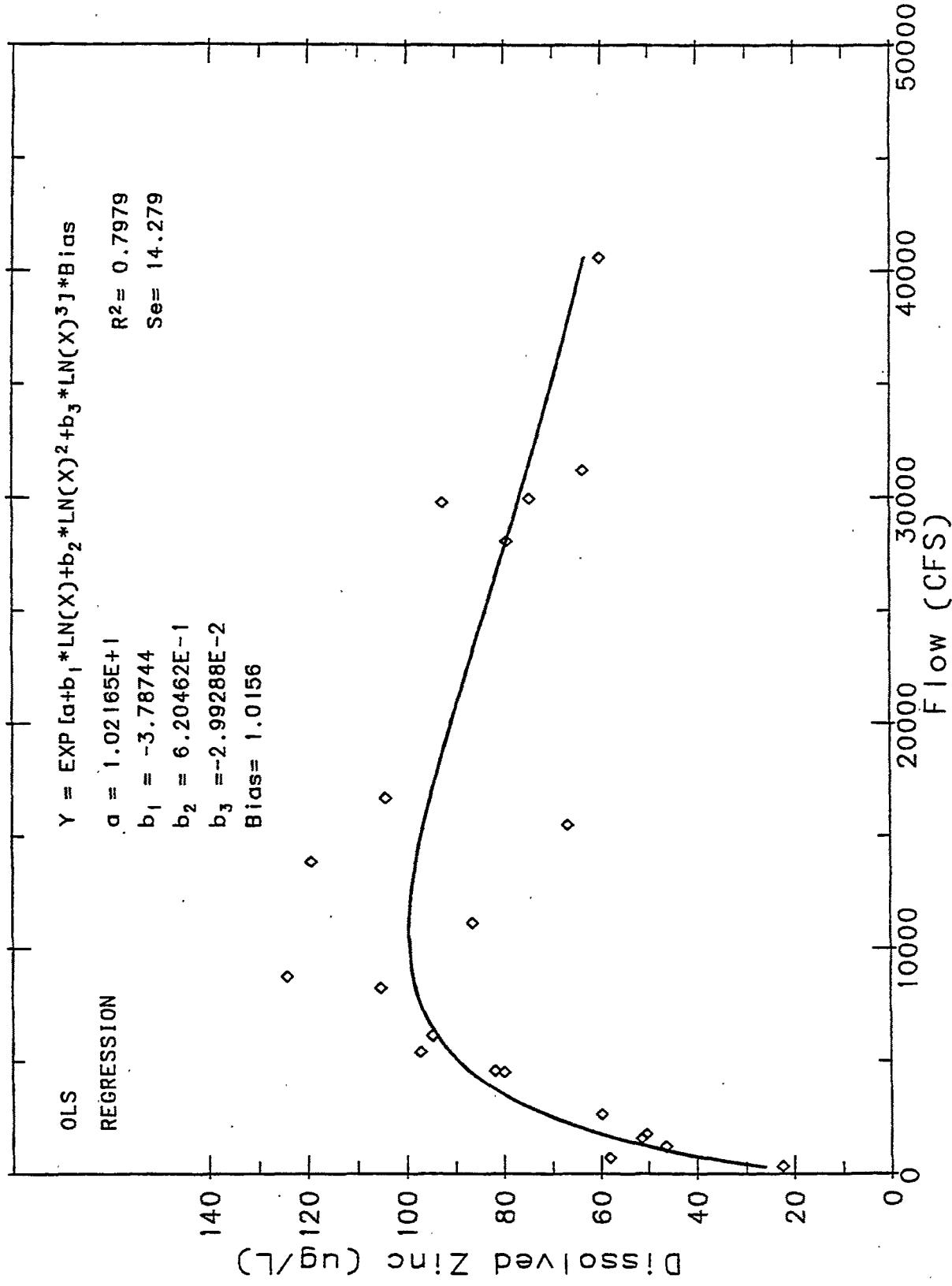
**Metals data from the Spokane River at the  
Stateline Bridge at river mile 96 (compiled by  
Hopkins and Johnson, 1997)**



Dissolved Cadmium vs. Flow, Spokane River @ Stateline Bridge, May 1994 - June 1997



Dissolved Lead vs. Flow, Spokane River @ Stateline Bridge, May 1994 - June 1997



Dissolved Zinc vs. Flow, Spokane River @ Stateline Bridge, May 1994 - June 1997





### **Appendix C.3**

**Metals data from Spokane River between river  
miles 63.5–69.9**

**(compiled by CH2M Hill, 1997)**

Dissolved Cd vs Flow  
Spokane River Mile 63.5 - 69.9

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REGRESSION

$$Y = \text{EXP}[a + b_1 \cdot \text{LN}(X) + b_2 \cdot \text{LN}(X)^2 + b_3 \cdot \text{LN}(X)^3] * \text{Bias}$$

$$a = 2.4527E+001$$

$$R^2 = 0.8617$$

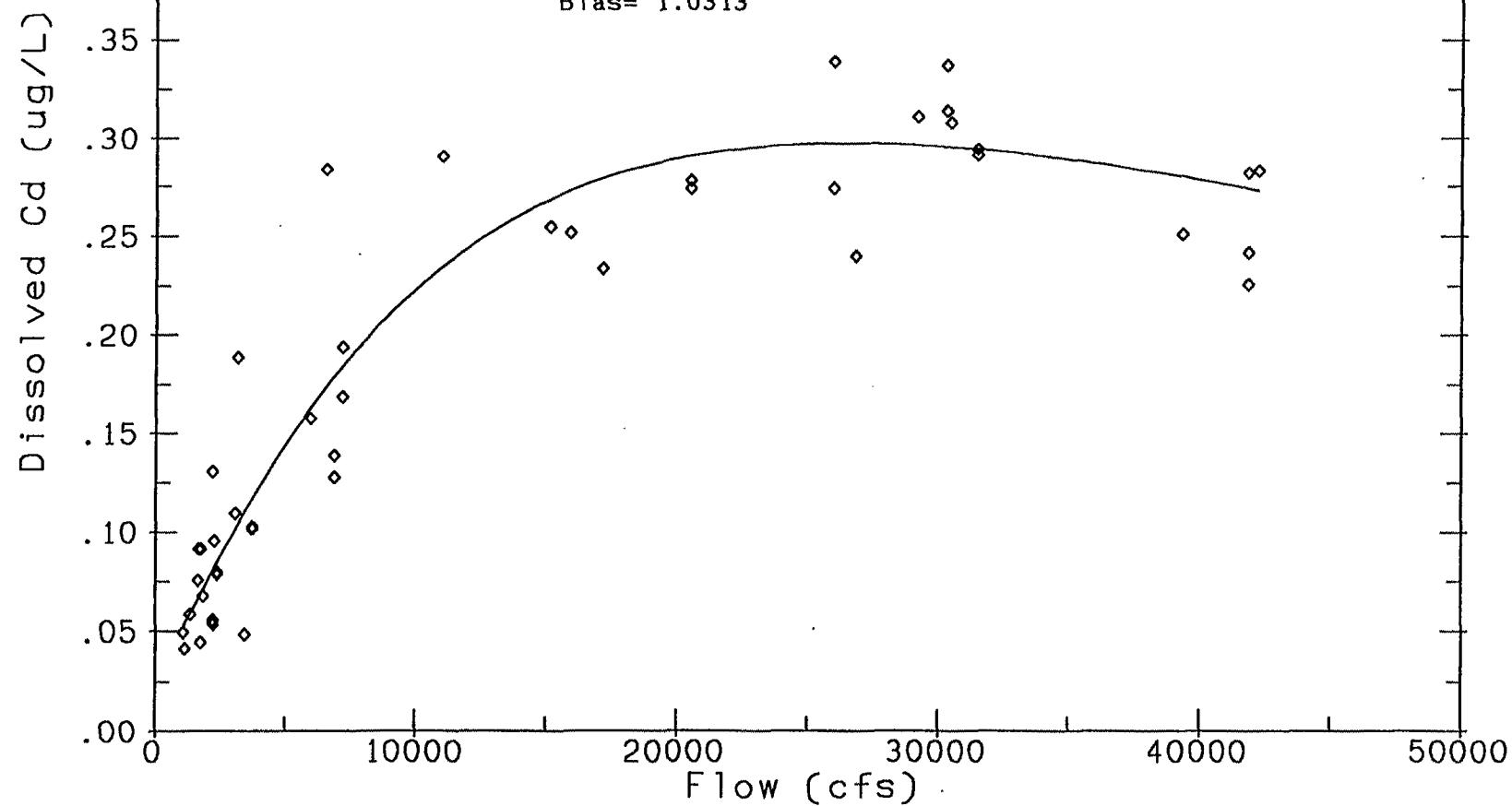
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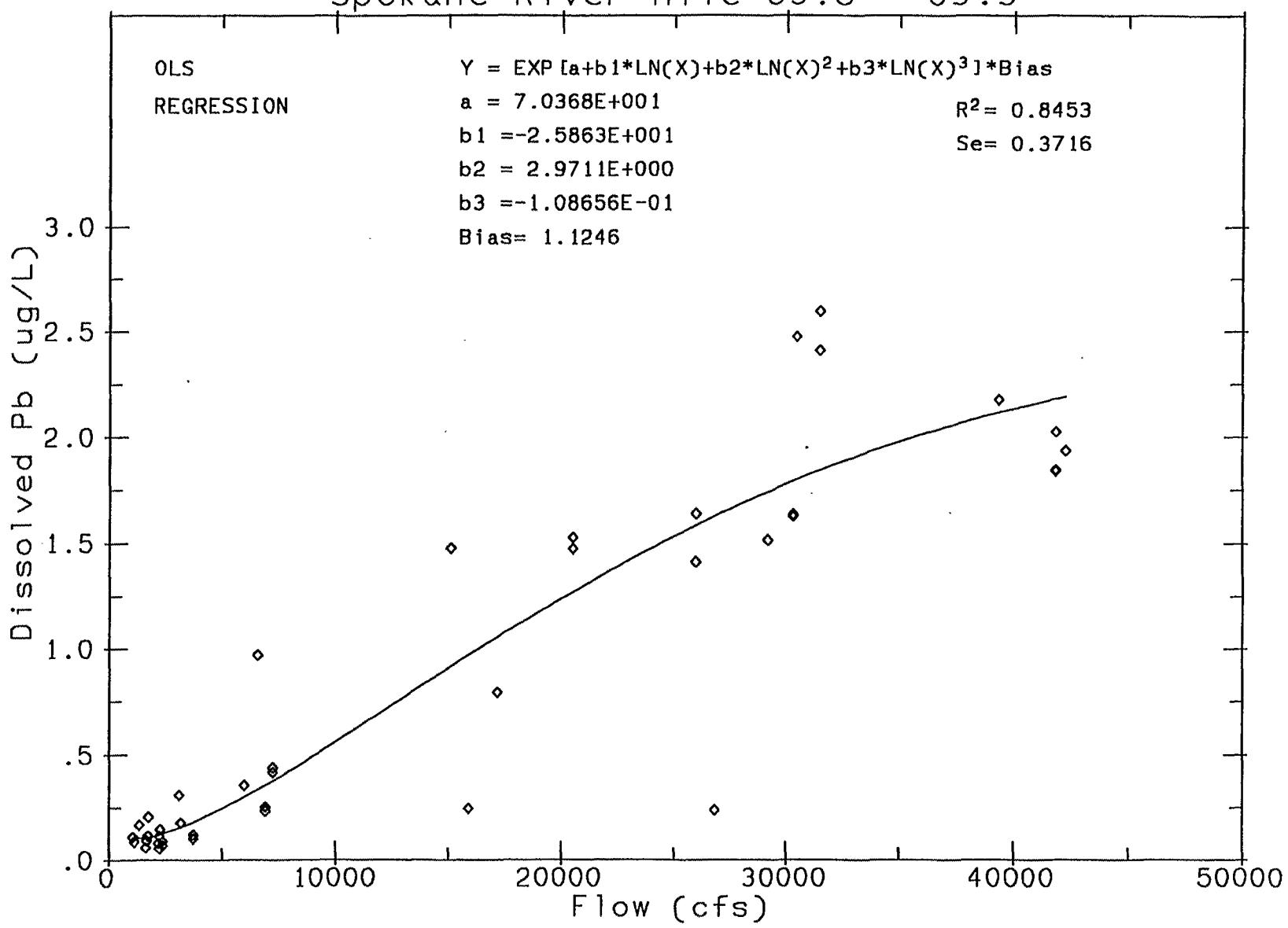
$$b_2 = 1.4691E+000$$

$$b_3 = -5.99357E-02$$

$$\text{Bias} = 1.0313$$



Dissolved Pb vs Flow  
Spokane River Mile 63.5 - 69.9

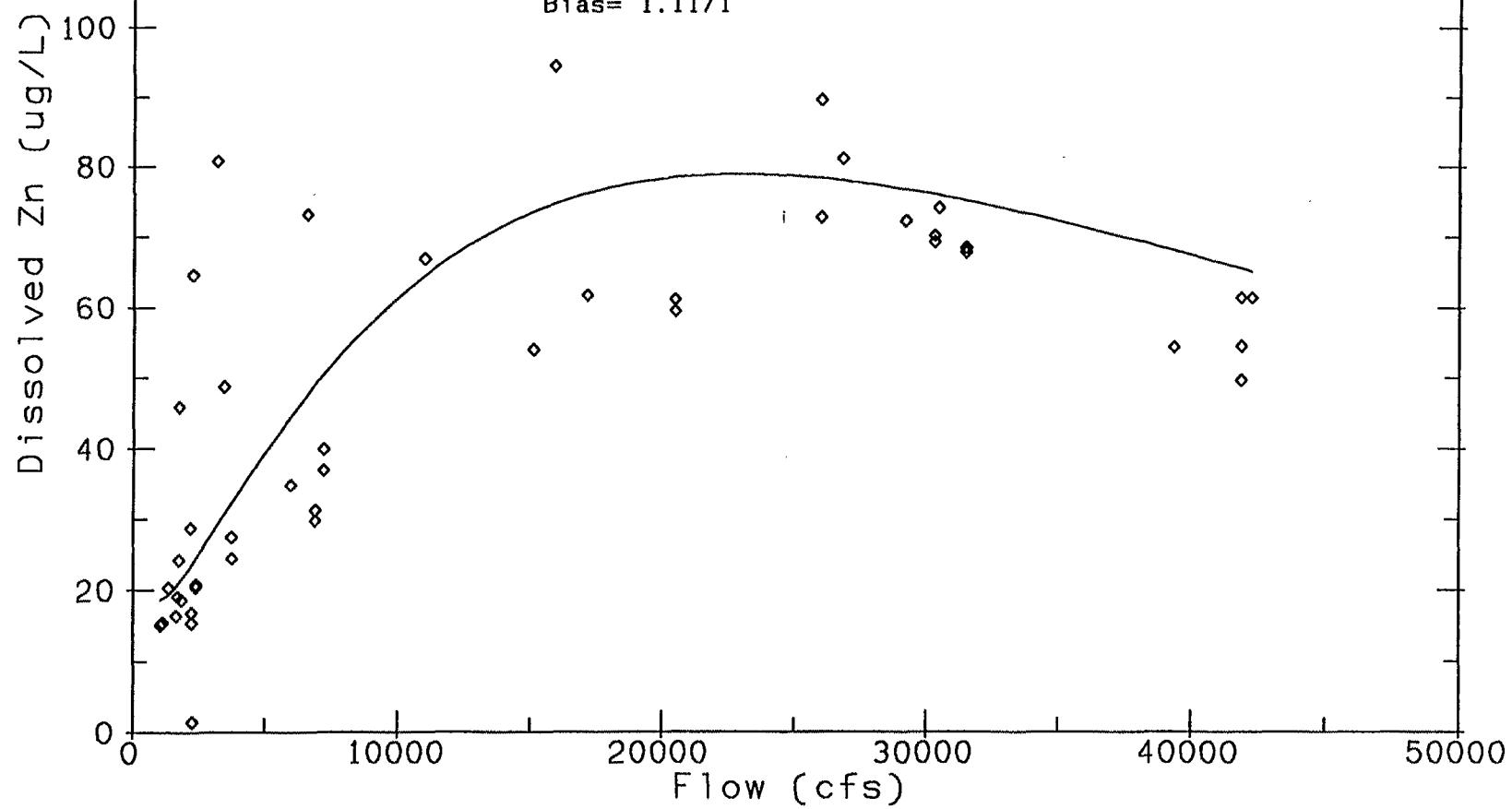


Dissolved Zn vs Flow  
Spokane River Mile 63.5 - 69.9

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$$Y = \text{EXP} [a + b_1 \cdot \text{LN}(X) + b_2 \cdot \text{LN}(X)^2 + b_3 \cdot \text{LN}(X)^3] \cdot \text{Bias}$$
$$a = 5.5697E+001$$
$$b_1 = -1.9838E+001$$
$$b_2 = 2.4212E+000$$
$$b_3 = -9.51778E-02$$
$$\text{Bias} = 1.1171$$

$R^2 = 0.5088$   
 $S_e = 16.001$





## **Appendix C.4**

**Model calibration for hardness, cadmium, lead,  
zinc (calibration location are shown in the  
shaded cells)**



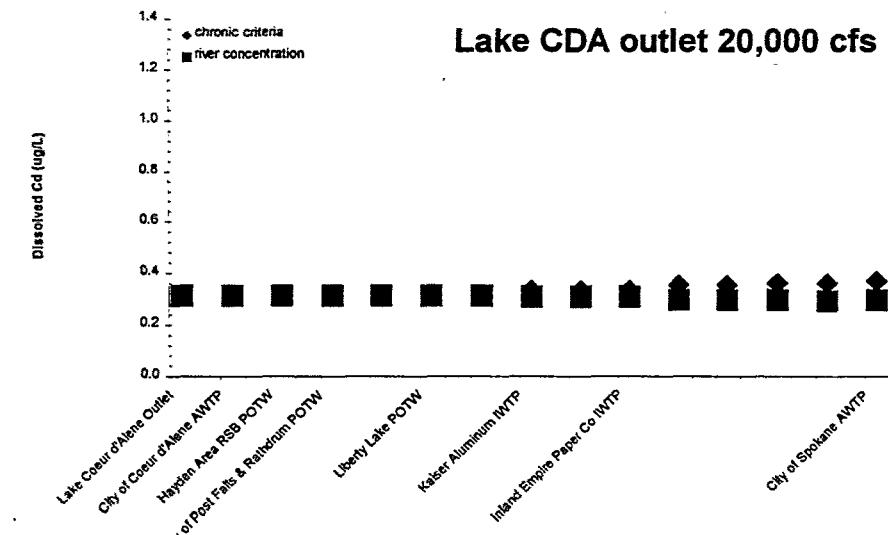
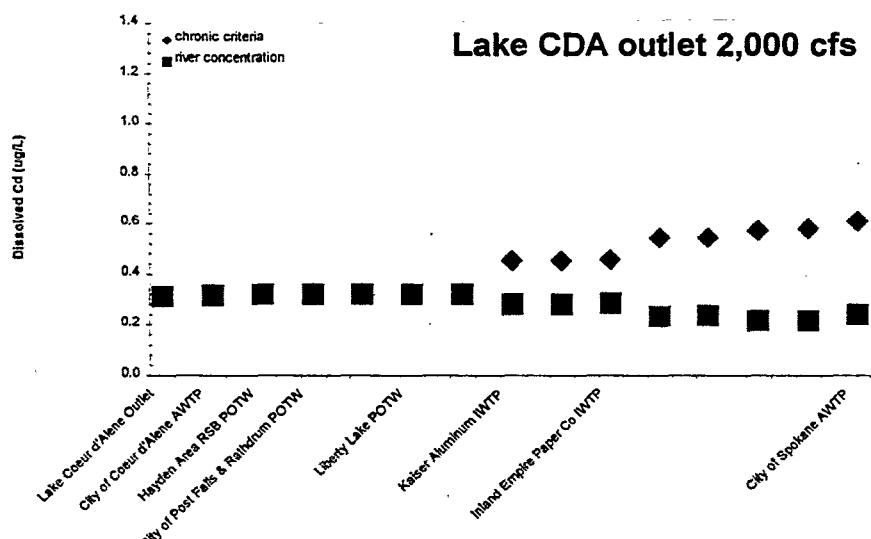
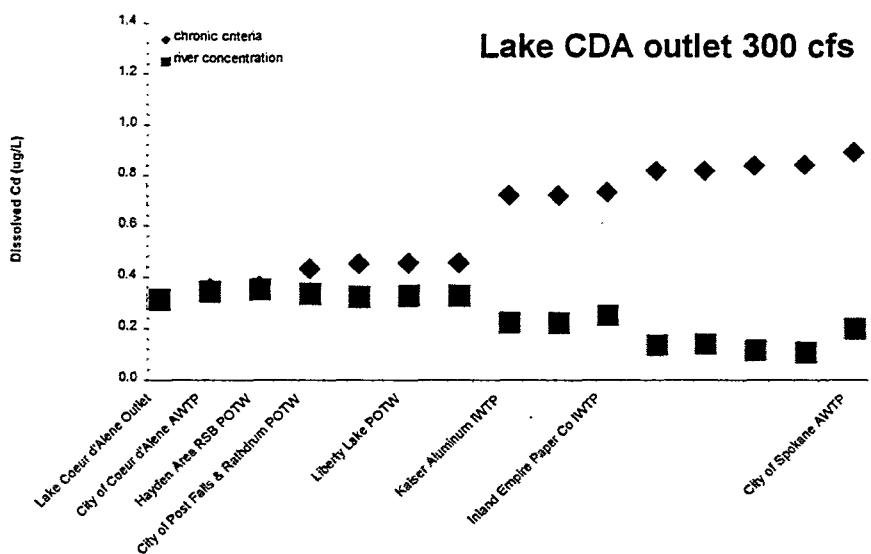




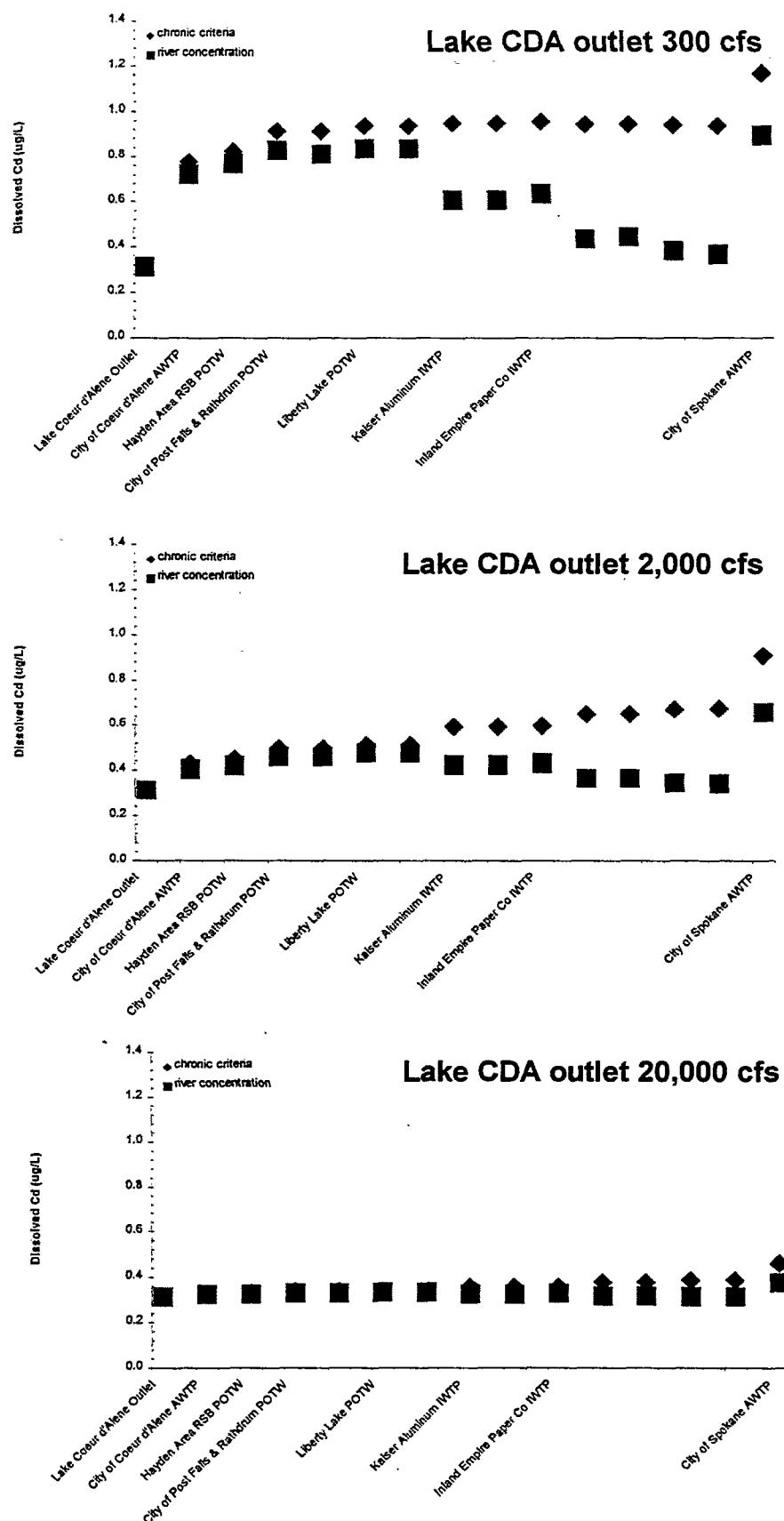
## **Appendix D.1**

### **Results for Cadmium**

Dissolved Cd after complete mix at current effluent design flows.



Dissolved Cd after complete mix at 20X current effluent design flows.



## Spokane River Model: Continuum

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

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Spokane River Model Reaches			Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Effluent ratio of dissolved Cd		Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?	
							Total rec. Cd	total rec. Cd				
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet									
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
3	101.7	98.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.80	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
4	98.0	93.0										
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.55	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
6	90.4	87.8										
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWT	23.3	36.05	120	1.31	0.901	1.18	4.51	1.18	Yes
8	85.3	82.6										
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWT	4	6.19	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
10	79.8	78.0										
11	78.0	74.1										
12	74.1	69.8										
13	69.8	67.6										
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	44	68.08	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

# Spokane River Model: Cadmium

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River model reach number	Spokane River Model Reaches		Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow				Reach Mass Balance Calculations						Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%tile diss. Cd at RM 66 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)	
	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) (2)	Inflow dissolved Cd (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Cd at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance dissolved Cd at downstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Cd at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)		
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (1)	300	20	0.31	--	300	--	20.0	na	0.976	--	0.31
1	111.7	106.6					300	309	20.0	23.8	na	0.969	0.31	0.35
2	106.6	101.7					309	311	23.8	24.5	na	0.968	0.35	0.35
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	28.05	85.0	0.008	311	344	24.5	31.1	na	0.958	0.35	0.34
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	11.81	85.0	0.008	344	356	31.1	32.9	na	0.955	0.34	0.32
5	93.0	90.4					356	357	32.9	33.4	na	0.955	0.32	0.33
6	90.4	87.8					357	357	33.4	33.4	na	0.955	0.33	0.33
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	303.42	85.0	0.008	321	661	33.4	61.8	na	0.929	0.33	0.23
8	85.3	82.6					661	661	61.8	61.8	na	0.929	0.23	0.23
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	661	411	61.8	63.1	na	0.928	0.23	0.25
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	355.47	85.0	0.008	411	766	63.1	73.2	na	0.922	0.25	0.14
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	766	587	73.2	73.2	na	0.922	0.14	0.14
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	144.77	85.0	0.008	587	731	73.2	75.6	na	0.921	0.14	0.11
13	69.8	67.6	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	0.008	731	774	75.6	76.1	na	0.920	0.11	0.11
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	0.008	774	901	76.1	81.9	na	0.917	0.11	0.20

(1) dissolved Cd was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelletier (1994) regression estimate of 10%tile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%tile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.

(3) aquifer diss Cd assumed to be: 0.008 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimate for diss Cd at RM 66 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end reach.

# Spokane River Metals Model: Cadmium

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Discharges at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches				NPDES Dischargers				Acute Mixing Zone Boundary					Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary					Complete Mix			
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO3)	Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Cd conc. at acute boundary	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone boundary?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO3)	Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Cd conc. at chronic boundary (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone boundary?	Hardness at down-stream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO3)	Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Cd at down-stream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria after complete mix at down-stream end of reach?	
0	--	111.7														20.0	0.65	0.31	0.31	Yes	
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	1.81	89.1	3.27	0.949	0.93	Yes	9.08	33.8	0.46	0.954	0.43	Yes	23.8	0.78	0.36	0.35	Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	4.84	48.8	1.70	0.974	0.58	Yes	39.44	26.8	0.39	0.964	0.37	Yes	24.5	0.81	0.36	0.35	Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	2.62	70.5	2.53	0.959	0.77	Yes	17.23	31.5	0.44	0.957	0.41	Yes	31.1	1.04	0.43	0.34	Yes	
4	96.0	93.0														32.9	1.11	0.45	0.32	Yes	
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	6.75	49.5	1.73	0.973	0.50	Yes	58.51	34.8	0.47	0.953	0.34	Yes	33.4	1.13	0.46	0.33	Yes	
6	90.4	87.8														33.4	1.13	0.46	0.33	Yes	
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	1.22	104.2	3.87	0.942	1.07	Yes	3.23	60.2	0.71	0.930	0.60	Yes	61.8	2.20	0.72	0.23	Yes	
8	85.3	82.6														61.8	2.20	0.72	0.23	Yes	
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP	3.67	84.5	3.08	0.951	0.56	Yes	27.70	64.8	0.75	0.927	0.27	Yes	63.1	2.25	0.73	0.25	Yes	
10	79.8	78.0														73.2	2.64	0.82	0.14	Yes	
11	78.0	74.1														73.2	2.64	0.82	0.14	Yes	
12	74.1	69.8														75.6	2.73	0.84	0.11	Yes	
13	69.8	67.6														76.1	2.75	0.84	0.11	Yes	
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	1.28	129.7	4.91	0.933	1.13	Yes	3.84	94.0	0.99	0.912	0.44	Yes	81.9	2.98	0.89	0.20	Yes	

# Spokane River Model's Model: Cadmium

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 2,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches			Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Effluent ratio of dissolved/tot al rec.		Dissolved Cd (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?
							Total rec. Cd (ug/L)	Cd				

0	--	111.7	<i>Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet</i>									
1	111.7	106.6	<i>City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP</i>	6	9.28	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	<i>Hayden Area RSB POTW</i>	1.3	2.01	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	<i>City of Post Falls &amp; Rathdrum POTW</i>	3.1	4.80	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
4	96.0	93.0										
5	93.0	90.4	<i>Liberty Lake POTW</i>	1	1.55	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
6	90.4	87.8										
7	87.8	85.3	<i>Kaiser Aluminum IWT</i>	23.3	36.05	120	1.31	0.901	1.18	4.51	1.18	Yes
8	85.3	82.8										
9	82.8	79.8	<i>Inland Empire Paper Co IWT</i>	4	6.19	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes
10	79.8	78.0										
11	78.0	74.1										
12	74.1	69.8										
13	69.8	67.6										
14	67.6	64.6	<i>City of Spokane AWTP</i>	44	68.08	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54	1.36	Yes

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1





## Spokane River Metals Model: Cadmium

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 20,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

*Spokane River Model Reaches*

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*Effluent Characteristics*

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Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down- stream river mile	Location			Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Cd (ug/L)	Effluent ratio of dissolved/l total rec. Cd	Dissolved Cd (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)		Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)		Effluent meets end of-pipe criteria?	
				Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)					Acute dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)		Chronic dissolved Cd criteria (ug/L)			
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet												
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.60	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	
4	96.0	93.0													
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.55	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	
6	90.4	87.8													
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWT	23.3	35.05	120	1.31	0.901	1.18	4.51		1.18		Yes	
8	85.3	82.8													
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWT	4	6.19	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	
10	79.8	78.0													
11	78.0	74.1													
12	74.1	69.8													
13	69.8	67.6													
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	44	66.08	145	1.52	0.893	1.36	5.54		1.36		Yes	

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

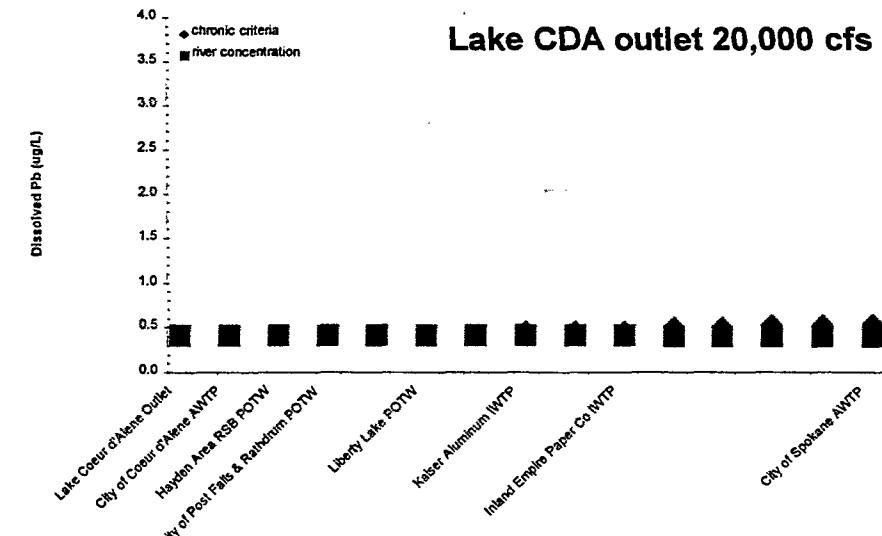
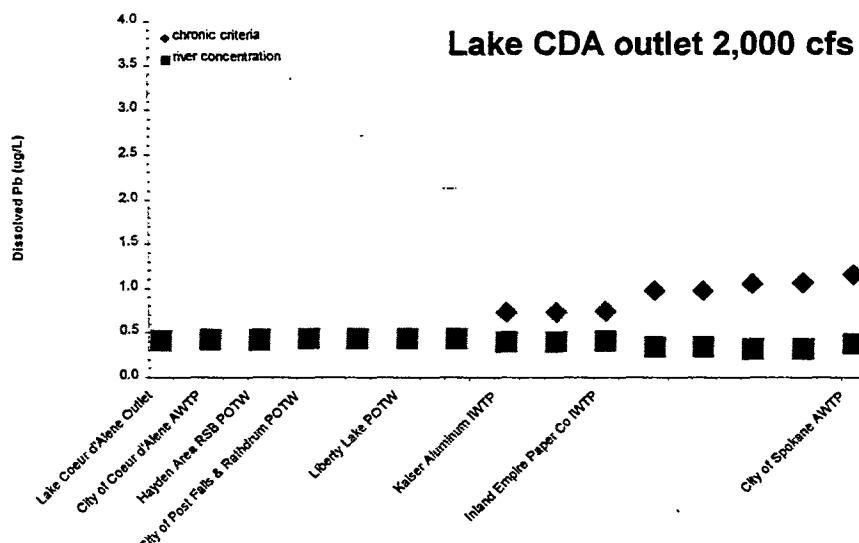
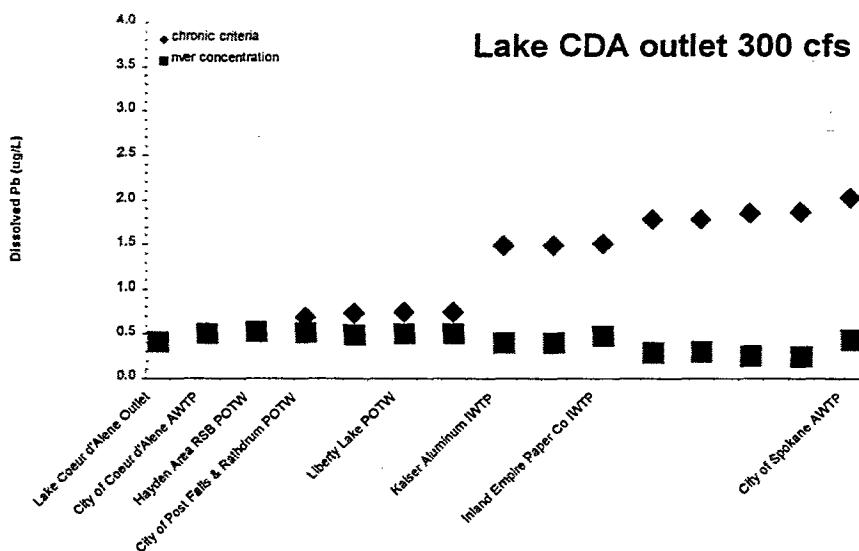




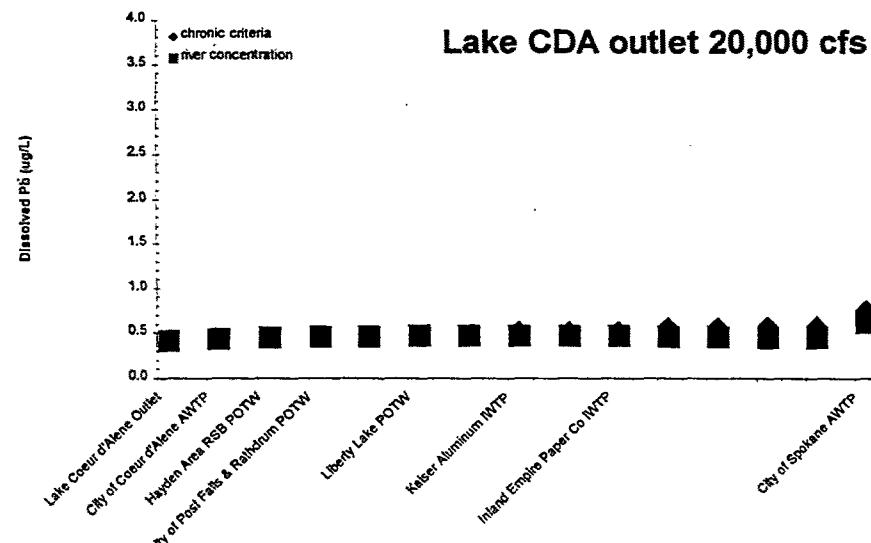
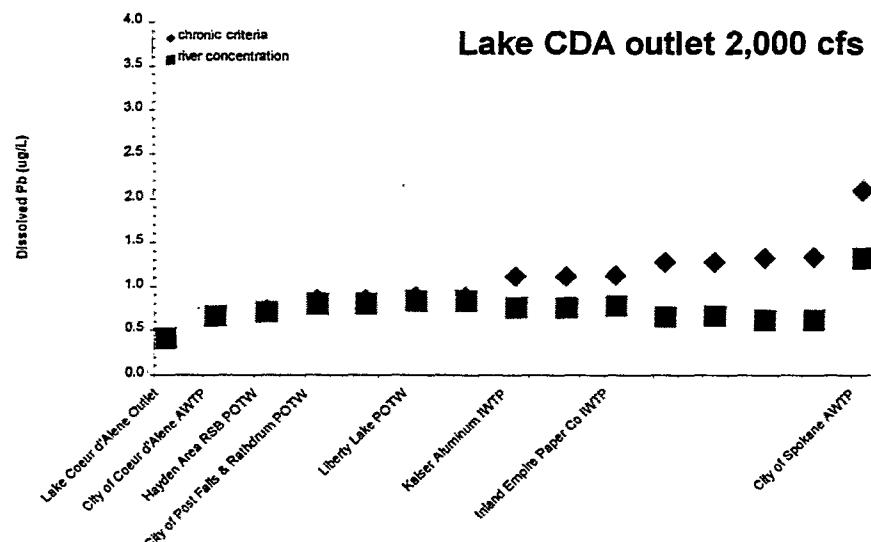
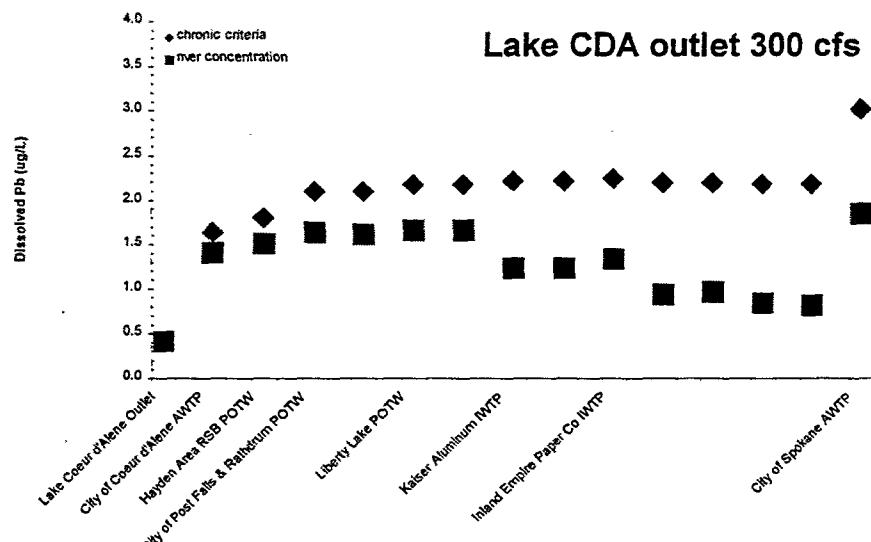
## **Appendix D.2**

### **Results for Lead**

Dissolved Pb after complete mix at current effluent design flows.



Dissolved Pb after complete mix at 20X current design flows.



## Spokane River Model Reaches

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches			Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Pb from total rec.	Effluent ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb	Dissolved Pb (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet									
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.80	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
4	96.0	93.0										
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.55	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
6	90.4	87.8										
7	87.8	85.3	Keiser Aluminum IWT	23.3	36.05	120	3.0	0.764	2.3	78.7	3.1	Yes
8	85.3	82.6										
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWT	4	6.19	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
10	79.8	78.0										
11	78.0	74.1										
12	74.1	69.8										
13	69.8	67.6										
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	44	68.08	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

# Spokane River Metals Model: Lead

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River model reach number	Spokane River Model Reaches		Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow				Reach Mass Balance Calculations						Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%ile diss. Pb at RM 66 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log-log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)	
	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) (2)	Inflow dissolved Pb (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	with regression 10th percentile hardness from Pelletier 1994 (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Ratio of dissolved/Pb at downstream end of reach	Mass balance dissolved Pb at upstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Pb at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (f)	300	20	0.41	--	300	--	20.0	na	1.000	--	0.41
1	111.7	106.6					300	309	20.0	23.8	na	1.000	0.41	0.51
2	106.6	101.7					309	311	23.8	24.5	na	0.996	0.51	0.53
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	28.05	85.0	0.09	311	344	24.5	31.1	na	0.961	0.53	0.52
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	11.61	85.0	0.09	344	356	31.1	32.9	na	0.953	0.52	0.50
5	93.0	90.4					356	357	32.9	33.4	na	0.951	0.50	0.51
6	90.4	87.8					357	357	33.4	33.4	na	0.951	0.51	0.51
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	303.42	85.0	0.09	321	661	33.4	61.8	na	0.861	0.51	0.40
8	85.3	82.6					661	661	61.8	61.8	na	0.861	0.40	0.40
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	661	411	61.8	63.1	na	0.858	0.40	0.48
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	355.47	85.0	0.09	411	766	63.1	73.2	na	0.836	0.48	0.28
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	766	587	73.2	73.2	na	0.836	0.28	0.30
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	144.77	85.0	0.09	587	731	73.2	75.6	na	0.832	0.30	0.25
13	69.8	67.6	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	0.09	731	774	75.6	76.1	na	0.831	0.25	0.24
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	0.09	774	901	76.1	81.9	na	0.820	0.24	0.44

(1) dissolved Pb was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelletier (1994) regression estimate of 10%ile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%ile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.

(3) aquifer diss Pb assumed to be: 0.09 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimate for diss Pb at RM 66 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end of reach.

**Spokane River Metals Model: Lead**

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches		NPDES Dischargers		Acute Mixing Zone Boundary						Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary						Complete Mix					
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Pb at mixing zone boundary	Ratio of dissolved/total rec.	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone boundary?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/total rec.	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone boundary?	Hardness at down-stream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Pb at downstream end of reach	Meets chronic criteria after mix at down-stream end of reach?			
D-16	0	--	111.7																		
	1	111.7	106.8	<i>City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP</i>	1.81	89.1	57.0	0.808	1.8	Yes	9.08	33.8	0.76	0.949	0.73	Yes	20.0	10.5	0.41	0.41	Yes
	2	106.8	101.7	<i>Hayden Area RSB POTW</i>	4.84	48.8	29.3	0.896	1.0	Yes	39.44	26.8	0.59	0.903	0.58	Yes	24.5	13.6	0.53	0.53	Yes
	3	101.7	96.0	<i>City of Post Falls &amp; Rathdrum POTW</i>	2.62	70.5	44.0	0.842	1.5	Yes	17.23	31.5	0.70	0.959	0.68	Yes	31.1	17.8	0.69	0.52	Yes
	4	96.0	93.0														32.9	18.9	0.74	0.50	Yes
	5	93.0	90.4	<i>Liberty Lake POTW</i>	6.75	49.5	29.8	0.893	0.9	Yes	58.51	34.8	0.79	0.945	0.54	Yes	33.4	19.2	0.75	0.51	Yes
	6	90.4	87.8														33.4	19.2	0.75	0.51	Yes
	7	87.8	85.3	<i>Kaiser Aluminum IWTP</i>	1.22	104.2	67.5	0.785	2.0	Yes	3.23	60.2	1.44	0.865	1.13	Yes	61.8	38.1	1.49	0.40	Yes
	8	85.3	82.8														61.8	38.1	1.49	0.40	Yes
	9	82.8	79.8	<i>Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP</i>	3.87	84.5	53.7	0.818	1.1	Yes	27.70	64.8	1.57	0.854	0.50	Yes	63.1	39.0	1.52	0.48	Yes
	10	79.8	76.0														73.2	45.9	1.79	0.28	Yes
	11	76.0	74.1														73.2	45.9	1.79	0.30	Yes
	12	74.1	69.8														75.6	47.5	1.85	0.25	Yes
	13	69.8	67.8														76.1	47.9	1.87	0.24	Yes
	14	67.8	64.6	<i>City of Spokane AWTP</i>	1.28	129.7	85.6	0.753	2.2	Yes	3.84	94.0	2.35	0.800	0.94	Yes	81.9	51.9	2.02	0.44	Yes

## Spokane River Metals Model: Lead

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 2,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches				Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Pb from total rec. tangent equation (ug/L)	Effluent ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb	Dissolved Pb (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?	
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet										
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.80	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	
4	96.0	93.0											
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.55	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	
6	90.4	87.8											
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	23.3	38.05	120	3.0	0.764	2.3	78.7	3.1	Yes	
8	85.3	82.6											
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP	4	6.19	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	
10	79.8	78.0											
11	78.0	74.1											
12	74.1	69.8											
13	69.8	67.6											
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	44	68.08	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes	

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

# Spokane River metals Model: Lead

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 2,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches				Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow							Reach Mass Balance Calculations						Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%ile diss. Pb at RM 66 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log-log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO3) (2)	Inflow dissolved Pb (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO3)	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO3)	Check of mass balance with regression 10th percentile hardness from Pelleter 1994 (mg/L stream end as CaCO3)	Ratio of dissolved Pb at downstream end of reach from total rec.	Mass balance dissolved Pb at upstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Pb at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)			
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (1)	2,000	20	0.41	--	2,000	--	20.0	na	1.000	--	0.41			
1	111.7	106.6					2,000	2,009	20.0	20.6	na	1.000	0.41	0.43			
2	106.6	101.7					2,009	2,011	20.6	20.7	na	1.000	0.43	0.43			
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-25.27	na	na	2,011	1,991	20.7	21.0	na	1.000	0.43	0.44			
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-10.84	na	na	1,991	1,980	21.0	21.0	na	1.000	0.44	0.44			
5	93.0	90.4					1,980	1,982	21.0	21.1	na	1.000	0.44	0.44			
6	90.4	87.8					1,982	1,982	21.1	21.1	na	1.000	0.44	0.44			
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	385.30	85.0	0.09	1,946	2,367	21.1	33.0	na	0.953	0.44	0.40			
8	85.3	82.8					2,367	2,367	33.0	33.0	na	0.953	0.40	0.40			
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	2,367	2,117	33.0	33.3	na	0.951	0.40	0.41			
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	451.40	85.0	0.09	2,117	2,568	33.3	42.4	na	0.916	0.41	0.34			
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	2,568	2,389	42.4	42.4	na	0.916	0.34	0.34			
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	178.40	85.0	0.09	2,389	2,567	42.4	45.4	na	0.906	0.34	0.32			
13	69.8	67.8	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	0.09	2,567	2,610	45.4	46.0	na	0.904	0.32	0.32			
14	67.8	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	0.09	2,610	2,736	46.0	49.3	na	0.894	0.32	0.38	na		

(1) dissolved Pb was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelleter (1994) regression estimate of 10%ile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%ile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>

(3) aquifer diss Pb assumed to be: 0.09 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimate for diss Pb at RM 66 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end reach.

# Spokane River Metals Model: Lead

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 2,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

	Spokane River Model Reaches			NPDES Dischargers			Acute Mixing Zone Boundary					Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary					Complete Mix		
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down- stream river mile	Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Pb conc at acute mixing zone boundary	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone boundary?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Pb conc. at chronic mixing zone boundary (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone boundary?	Hardness at down- stream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance Pb at down- stream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria after complete mix at down- stream end of reach?
0	--	111.7																Yes	
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6.39	39.6	23.2	0.926	0.9	Yes	54.86	22.3	0.47	1.000	0.47	Yes	20.0	10.5	0.41	0.41
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RS8 POTW	25.97	25.4	14.1	0.991	0.5	Yes	250.74	21.1	0.44	1.000	0.44	Yes	20.7	11.0	0.43	0.43
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	11.48	31.5	18.0	0.959	0.7	Yes	105.84	21.9	0.46	1.000	0.46	Yes	21.0	11.2	0.44	0.44
4	96.0	93.0														21.0	11.2	0.44	0.44
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	33.00	24.8	13.7	0.994	0.5	Yes	320.96	21.4	0.45	1.000	0.45	Yes	21.1	11.3	0.44	0.44
6	90.4	87.8														21.1	11.3	0.44	0.44
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	2.35	63.2	39.1	0.858	1.3	Yes	14.49	27.9	0.61	0.977	0.60	Yes	33.0	19.0	0.74	0.40
8	85.3	82.6														33.0	19.0	0.74	0.40
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP	10.58	43.6	25.9	0.912	0.7	Yes	98.62	34.2	0.77	0.947	0.43	Yes	33.3	19.2	0.75	0.41
10	79.8	78.0														42.4	25.1	0.98	0.34
11	78.0	74.1														42.4	25.1	0.98	0.34
12	74.1	69.8														45.4	27.1	1.05	0.32
13	69.8	67.6														46.0	27.5	1.07	0.32
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	1.96	96.6	62.2	0.796	1.6	Yes	10.58	55.4	1.32	0.877	0.58	Yes	49.3	29.7	1.16	0.38

## Spokane River Metals Model: Lead

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 20,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches				Effluent Characteristics								
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Pb from tangent equation	Effluent ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb	Dissolved Pb (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Pb criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet									
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.80	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
4	96.0	93.0										
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	1	1.55	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
6	90.4	87.8										
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	23.3	36.05	120	3.0	0.764	2.3	76.7	3.1	Yes
8	85.3	82.8										
9	82.8	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP	4	6.19	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes
10	79.8	78.0										
11	78.0	74.1										
12	74.1	69.8										
13	69.8	67.6										
14	67.6	64.8	City of Spokane AWTP	44	68.08	145	3.7	0.737	2.7	96.5	3.8	Yes

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

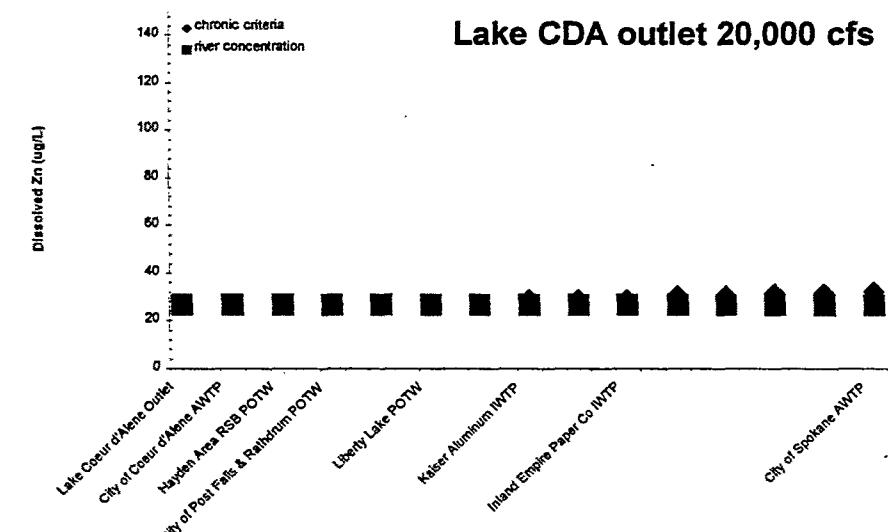
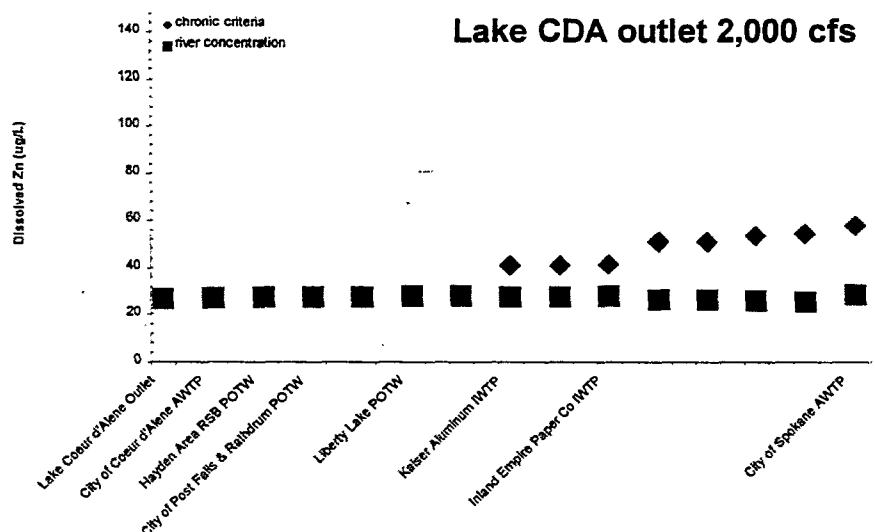
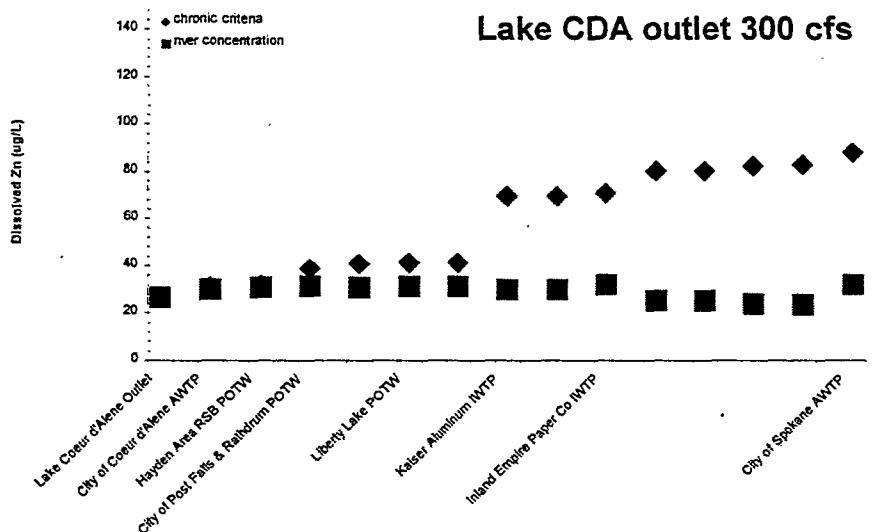




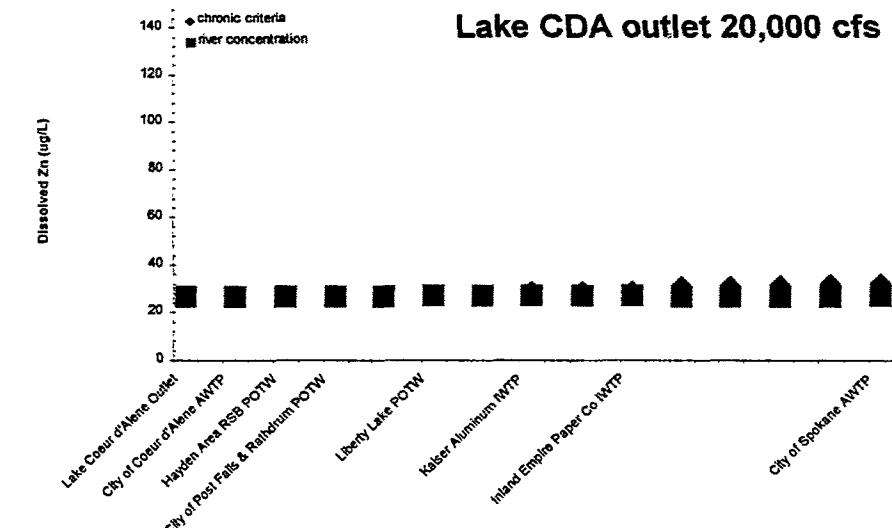
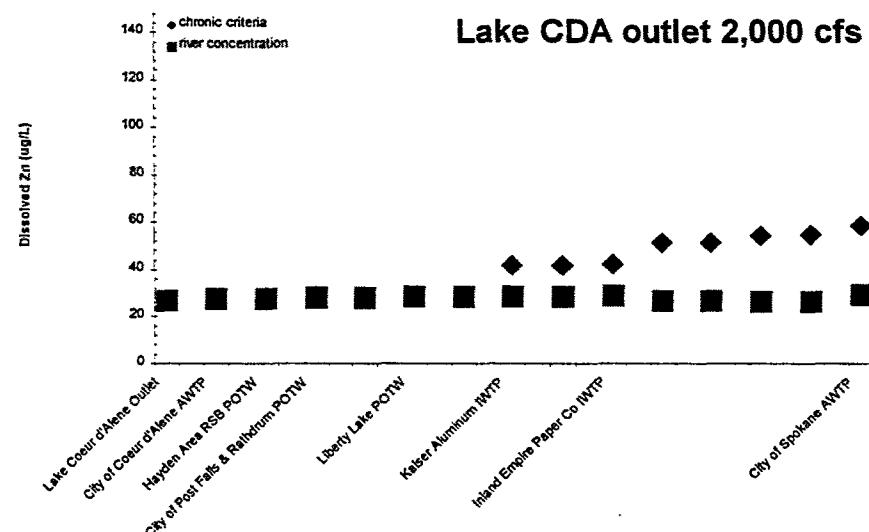
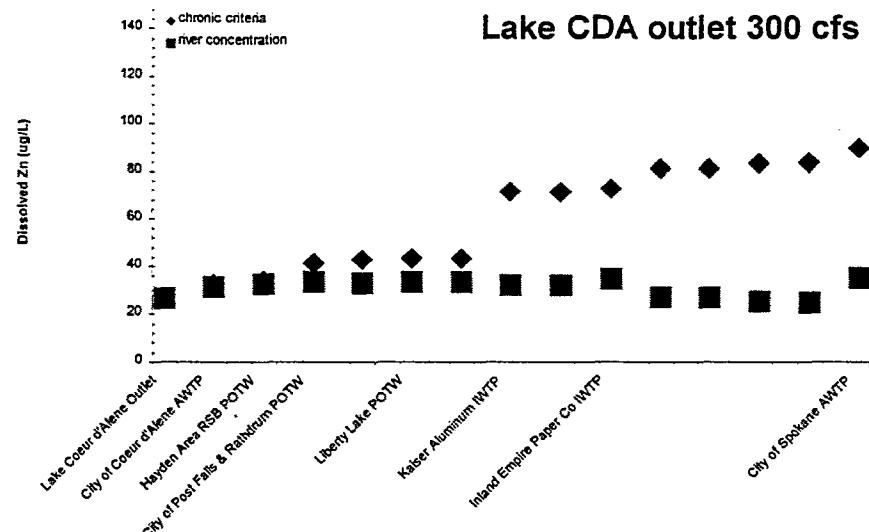
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### **Results for Zinc**

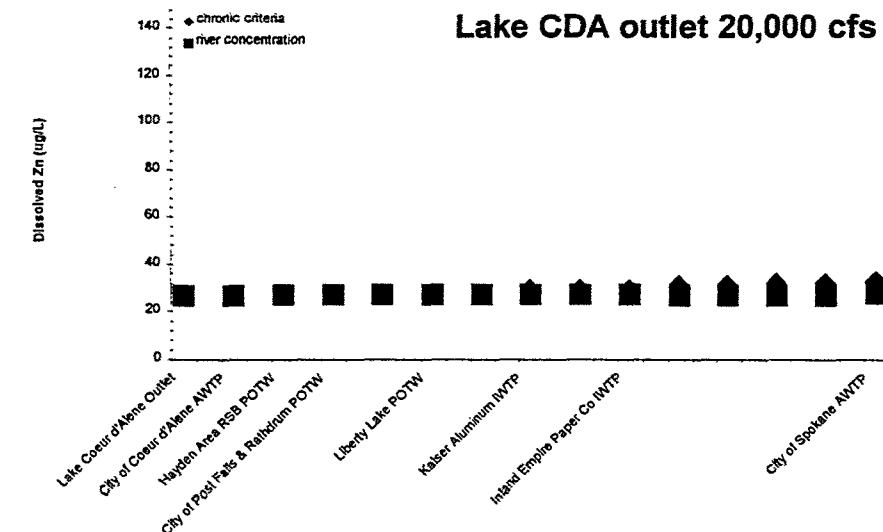
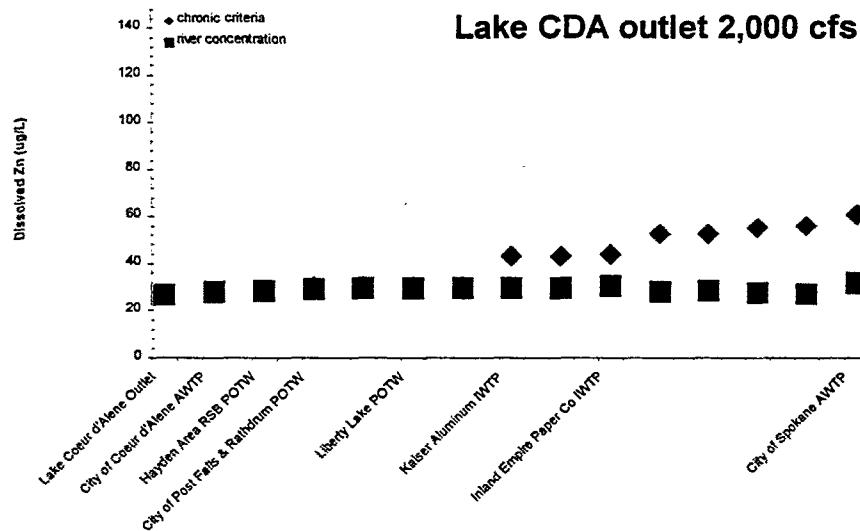
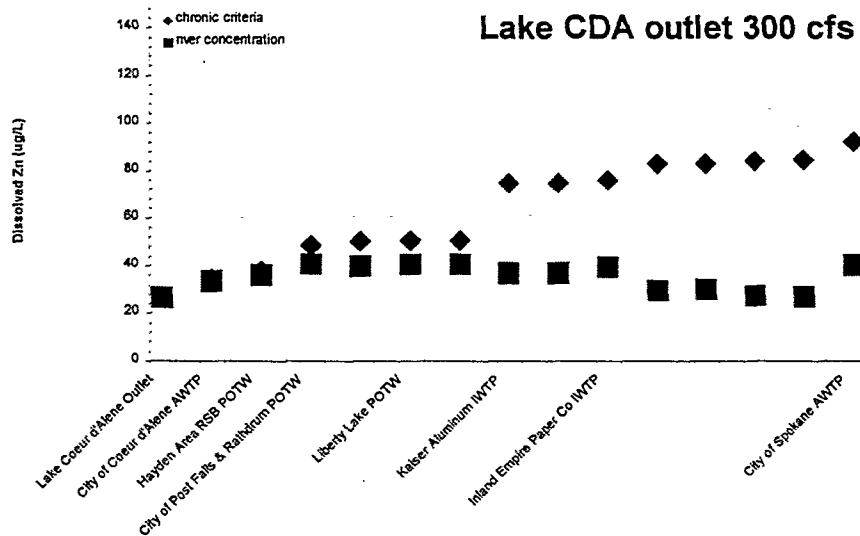
Dissolved Zn after complete mix at current effluent design flows.



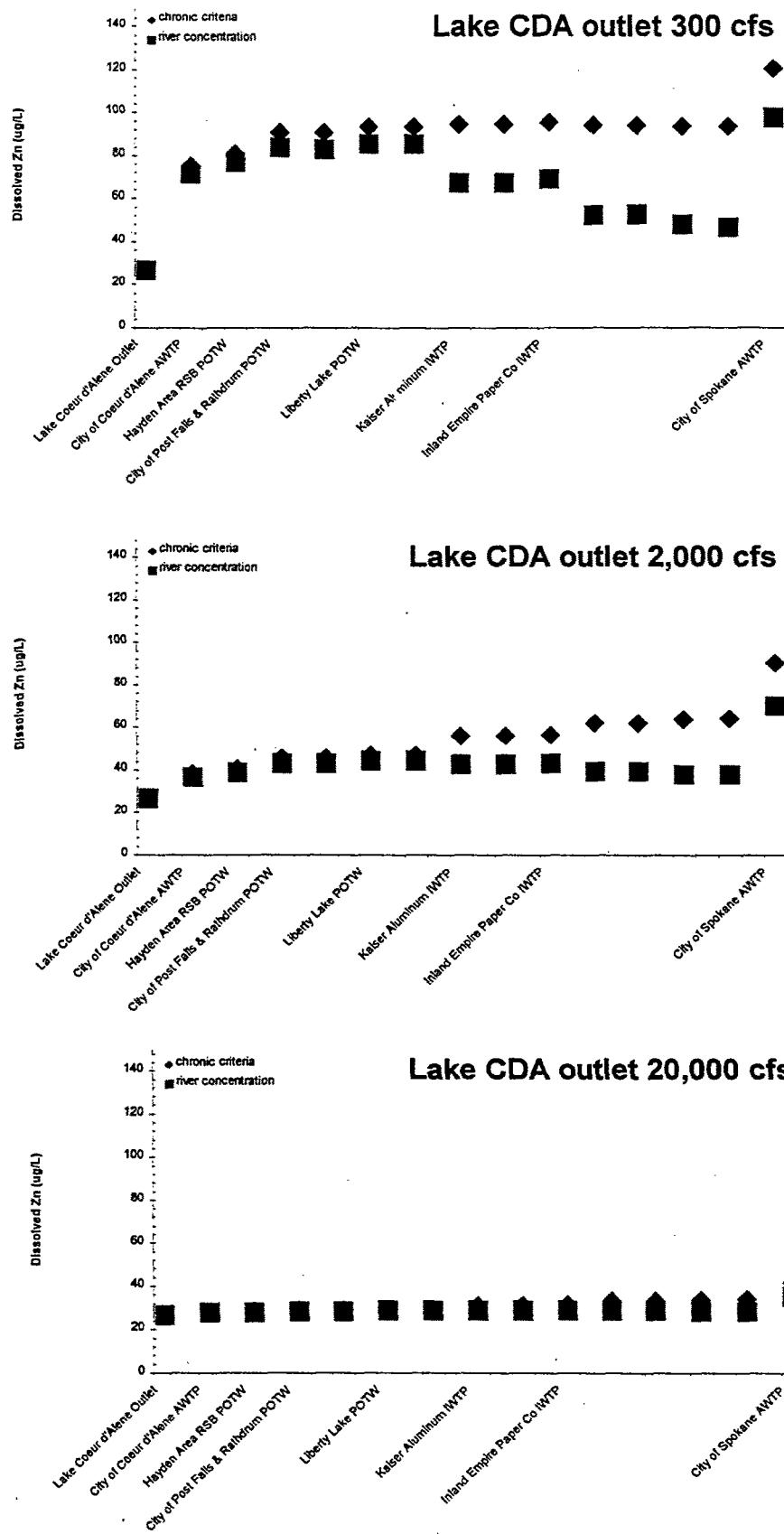
Dissolved Zn after complete mix at 20-year projected design flows.



Dissolved Zn after complete mix at 50-year projected design flows.



Dissolved Zn after complete mix at 20X current effluent design flows.



**Spokane River Metals Model: Zmc**

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
 NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

**Spokane River Model Reaches****Effluent Characteristics**

Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile					Effluent characteristics				Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?
			Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Zn (ug/L)	Effluent ratio of dissolved/d total rec. Zn	Dissolved Zn (ug/L)					
0	--	111.7	<i>Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet</i>										
1	111.7	106.6	<i>City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP</i>	6	9.28	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	<i>Hayden Area RSB POTW</i>	1.3	2.01	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	<i>City of Post Falls &amp; Rathdrum POTW</i>	3.1	4.80	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
4	96.0	93.0											
5	93.0	90.4	<i>Liberty Lake POTW</i>	1	1.55	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
6	90.4	87.8											
7	87.8	85.3	<i>Kaiser Aluminum IWT</i>	23.3	36.05	120	123.7	0.985	122.0	133.6	122.0	Yes	
8	85.3	82.8											
9	82.6	79.8	<i>Inland Empire Paper Co IWT</i>	4	6.19	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
10	79.8	78.0											
11	78.0	74.1											
12	74.1	69.8											
13	69.8	67.6											
14	67.6	64.6	<i>City of Spokane AWTP</i>	44	68.08	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
 multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River model reach number	Spokane River Model Reaches			Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow			Reach Mass Balance Calculations							Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%tile diss. Zn at RM 66 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)
	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) (2)	Inflow dissolved Zn (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Check of mass balance with regression 10th %ile hardness from Pelleter 1994 (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Zn	Mass balance dissolved Zn at upstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (1)	300	20	26.7	--	300	20.0	na	0.986	--	26.7	
1	111.7	106.6					300	309	20.0	23.8	na	0.986	26.7	30.2
2	106.6	101.7					309	311	23.8	24.5	na	0.986	30.2	30.9
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	28.05	85.0	18	311	344	24.5	31.1	na	0.986	30.9	31.4
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	11.81	85.0	18	344	356	31.1	32.9	na	0.986	31.4	31.0
5	93.0	90.4					356	357	32.9	33.4	na	0.986	31.0	31.5
6	90.4	87.8					357	357	33.4	33.4	na	0.986	31.5	31.5
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	303.42	85.0	18	321	661	33.4	61.8	na	0.986	31.5	30.1
8	85.3	82.6					661	661	61.8	61.8	na	0.986	30.1	30.1
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	661	411	61.8	63.1	na	0.986	30.1	32.1
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	355.47	85.0	18	411	766	63.1	73.2	na	0.986	32.1	25.4
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	766	587	73.2	73.2	na	0.986	25.4	25.5
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	144.77	85.0	18	587	731	73.2	75.6	na	0.986	25.5	24.0
13	69.8	67.6	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	18	731	774	75.6	76.1	na	0.986	24.0	23.7
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	18	774	901	76.1	81.9	na	0.986	23.7	32.3

(1) dissolved zinc was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelleter (1994) regression estimate of 10%tile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%tile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.

(3) aquifer diss Zn assumed to be: 18 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimate for diss Zn at RM 66 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end reach.

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 300 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches			NPDES Dischargers		Acute Mixing Zone Boundary					Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary					Complete Mix					
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Zn conc. at acute mixing zone boundary	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone boundary?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Zn conc. at chronic mixing zone boundary (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone boundary?	Hardness at downstream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria after complete mix at downstream end of reach?	
0	--	111.7														20.0	29.3	26.7	26.7	Yes
1	111.7	106.6	<i>City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP</i>	1.81	89.1	103.8	0.978	90.4	Yes	9.08	33.8	41.7	0.986	39.6	Yes	23.8	33.9	30.9	30.2	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	<i>Hayden Area RSB POTW</i>	4.84	48.8	62.3	0.978	53.1	Yes	39.44	26.8	34.3	0.986	33.1	Yes	24.5	34.8	31.8	30.9	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	<i>City of Post Falls &amp; Rathdrum POTW</i>	2.62	70.5	85.1	0.978	73.1	Yes	17.23	31.6	39.3	0.986	37.5	Yes	31.1	42.6	38.9	31.4	Yes
4	96.0	93.0														32.9	44.7	40.8	31.0	Yes
5	93.0	90.4	<i>Liberty Lake POTW</i>	6.76	49.5	63.1	0.978	47.2	Yes	58.51	34.8	42.8	0.986	32.9	Yes	33.4	45.2	41.3	31.5	Yes
6	90.4	87.8														33.4	45.2	41.3	31.5	Yes
7	87.8	85.3	<i>Kaiser Aluminum IWT</i>	1.22	104.2	118.5	0.978	104.6	Yes	3.23	60.2	68.0	0.986	59.5	Yes	61.8	76.1	69.5	30.1	Yes
8	85.3	82.6														61.8	76.1	69.5	30.1	Yes
9	82.6	79.8	<i>Inland Empire Paper Co IWT</i>	3.67	84.5	99.2	0.978	60.4	Yes	27.70	64.8	72.4	0.986	34.2	Yes	63.1	77.4	70.7	32.1	Yes
10	79.8	78.0														73.2	87.9	80.3	25.4	Yes
11	78.0	74.1														73.2	87.9	80.3	25.5	Yes
12	74.1	69.8														75.6	90.3	82.4	24.0	Yes
13	69.8	67.6														76.1	90.8	82.9	23.7	Yes
14	67.6	64.6	<i>City of Spokane AWTP</i>	1.28	129.7	142.7	0.978	115.6	Yes	3.84	94.0	99.2	0.986	54.8	Yes	81.9	96.6	88.2	32.3	Yes

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

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Spokane River Model Reaches				Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile		Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Zn (ug/L)	Effluent ratio of dissolved/Zn	Dissolved Zn (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?	
0	--	111.7	Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet										
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6	9.28	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	1.3	2.01	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	3.1	4.80	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes	
4	96.0	93.0											
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW		1	1.55	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
6	90.4	87.8											
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWT		23.3	38.05	120	123.7	0.988	122.0	133.6	122.0	Yes
8	85.3	82.6											
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWT		4	6.19	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
10	79.8	78.0											
11	78.0	74.1											
12	74.1	69.8											
13	69.8	67.8											
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP		44	68.08	145	145.2	0.988	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes

multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

## Spokane River Metals Model Zinc

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 2,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches			Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow						Reach Mass Balance Calculations						Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%tile diss. Zn at RM 66 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log-log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) (2)	Inflow dissolved Zn (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Check of mass balance with regression 10th %ile hardness from Pelletier 1994	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Zn	Mass balance dissolved Zn at upstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)		
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (1)	2,000	20	26.7	--	2,000	--	20.0	na	0.986	--	26.7	
1	111.7	106.6					2,000	2,009	20.0	20.6	na	0.986	26.7	27.3	
2	106.6	101.7					2,009	2,011	20.6	20.7	na	0.986	27.3	27.4	
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-25.27	na	na	2,011	1,991	20.7	21.0	na	0.986	27.4	27.7	
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-10.64	na	na	1,991	1,980	21.0	21.0	na	0.986	27.7	27.7	
5	93.0	90.4					1,980	1,982	21.0	21.1	na	0.986	27.7	27.8	
6	90.4	87.8					1,982	1,982	21.1	21.1	na	0.986	27.8	27.8	
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	385.30	85.0	18	1,946	2,367	21.1	33.0	na	0.986	27.8	27.6	
8	85.3	82.6					2,367	2,367	33.0	33.0	na	0.986	27.6	27.6	
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	2,367	2,117	33.0	33.3	na	0.986	27.6	27.9	
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	451.40	85.0	18	2,117	2,568	33.3	42.4	na	0.986	27.9	26.2	
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	2,568	2,389	42.4	42.4	na	0.986	26.2	26.2	
12	74.1	69.8	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	178.40	85.0	18	2,389	2,567	42.4	45.4	na	0.986	26.2	25.6	
13	69.8	67.6	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	18	2,567	2,810	45.4	46.0	na	0.986	25.6	25.5	
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	18	2,810	2,738	46.0	49.3	na	0.986	25.5	26.2	

(1) dissolved zinc was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelletier (1994) regression estimate of 10%tile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%tile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.

(3) aquifer diss Zn assumed to be: 18 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimates for diss Zn at RM 66 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end reach.

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

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Spokane River Model Reaches			NPDES Dischargers			Acute Mixing Zone Boundary						Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary						Complete Mix			
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Zn conc. at acute boundary	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone boundary?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/ total rec. Pb at mixing zone boundary	Dissolved Zn conc. at chronic boundary (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone boundary?	Hardness at down-stream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at down-stream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria after complete mix at down-stream end of reach?		
0	--	111.7													20.0	29.3	26.7	26.7	Yes		
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	6.39	39.6	52.2	0.978	44.6	Yes	54.88	22.3	29.3	0.986	28.8	Yes	20.6	30.0	27.4	27.3	Yes	
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	25.97	25.4	35.8	0.978	31.5	Yes	250.74	21.1	27.9	0.986	27.7	Yes	20.7	30.1	27.5	27.4	Yes	
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	11.48	31.5	43.0	0.978	37.2	Yes	105.84	21.9	28.8	0.986	28.5	Yes	21.0	30.5	27.9	27.7	Yes	
4	96.0	93.0													21.0	30.5	27.9	27.7	Yes		
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	33.00	24.8	35.1	0.978	30.9	Yes	320.96	21.4	28.3	0.986	28.0	Yes	21.1	30.6	28.0	27.8	Yes	
6	90.4	87.8													21.1	30.6	28.0	27.8	Yes		
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTW	2.35	63.2	77.6	0.978	67.3	Yes	14.49	27.9	35.5	0.986	34.3	Yes	33.0	44.7	40.9	27.6	Yes	
8	85.3	82.6													33.0	44.7	40.9	27.6	Yes		
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTW	10.56	43.6	58.7	0.978	38.2	Yes	96.62	34.2	42.1	0.986	28.8	Yes	33.3	45.1	41.2	27.9	Yes	
10	79.8	78.0													42.4	55.3	50.5	26.2	Yes		
11	78.0	74.1													42.4	55.3	50.5	26.2	Yes		
12	74.1	69.8													45.4	58.6	53.5	25.6	Yes		
13	69.8	67.6													46.0	59.3	54.1	25.5	Yes		
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	1.96	98.6	111.1	0.978	84.9	Yes	10.58	55.4	63.3	0.986	36.6	Yes	49.3	62.9	57.4	28.2	Yes	

## Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 20,000 cfs  
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Spokane River Model Reaches			Effluent Characteristics									
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile				Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Total rec. Zn (ug/L)	Effluent ratio of dissolved/totalsolved/totalrec.	Dissolved Zn (ug/L)	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Effluent meets end-of-pipe criteria?
			Flow (mgd)	Flow (cfs)								
0	--	111.7	<i>Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet</i>									
1	111.7	108.6	<i>City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP</i>	6	9.28	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
2	108.6	101.7	<i>Hayden Area RSB POTW</i>	1.3	2.01	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	<i>City of Post Falls &amp; Rathdrum POTW</i>	3.1	4.80	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
4	96.0	93.0										
5	93.0	90.4	<i>Liberty Lake POTW</i>	1	1.55	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
6	90.4	87.8										
7	87.8	85.3	<i>Kaiser Aluminum IWTP</i>	23.3	38.05	120	123.7	0.986	122.0	133.6	122.0	Yes
8	85.3	82.6										
9	82.6	79.8	<i>Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP</i>	4	6.19	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes
10	79.8	76.0										
11	76.0	74.1										
12	74.1	69.8										
13	69.8	67.6										
14	67.6	64.6	<i>City of Spokane AWTP</i>	44	68.08	145	145.2	0.986	143.2	156.8	143.2	Yes

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multiplier for municipal effluent flow = 1  
multiplier for industrial effluent flow = 1

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

Lake Coeur d'Alene Outlet at 20,000 cfs  
NPDES Dischargers at Current Design Flows

Spokane River Model Reaches			Aquifer/Tributary Inflow/Outflow						Reach Mass Balance Calculations						Check of mass balance with regression estimate of 90%ile diss. Zn at RM 68 based on CH2M-Hill's data compilation and log-log cubic regression (ug/L) (3)
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Inflow or outflow (cfs)	Inflow hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) (2)	Inflow dissolved Zn (ug/L) (3)	Flow at upstream end of reach (cfs)	Flow at downstream end of reach (cfs)	Mass balance hardness at upstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Mass balance hardness at downstream end of reach (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	10th percentile hardness from Pelleter 1994 (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Zn	Mass balance dissolved Zn at upstream end of reach (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach (ug/L)	
0	--	111.7	Lk CDA Outlet (1)	20,000	20	26.7	--	20,000	--	20.0	na	0.986	--	26.7	
1	111.7	106.6					20,000	20,009	20.0	20.1	na	0.986	26.7	26.8	
2	106.6	101.7					20,009	20,011	20.1	20.1	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
3	101.7	96.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-88.01	na	na	20,011	19,928	20.1	20.1	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
4	96.0	93.0	Aquifer Inflow/Outflow	-37.06	na	na	19,928	19,891	20.1	20.1	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
5	93.0	90.4					19,891	19,893	20.1	20.1	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
6	90.4	87.8					19,893	19,893	20.1	20.1	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
7	87.8	85.3	Aquifer Inflow	481.64	85.0	18	19,857	20,374	20.1	21.8	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
8	85.3	82.6					20,374	20,374	21.8	21.8	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
9	82.6	79.8	Aquifer Outflow	-256.20	na	na	20,374	20,124	21.8	21.9	na	0.986	26.8	26.8	
10	79.8	78.0	Aquifer Inflow	564.25	85.0	18	20,124	20,688	21.9	23.6	na	0.986	26.8	26.6	
11	78.0	74.1	Aquifer Outflow	-179.70	na	na	20,688	20,509	23.6	23.6	na	0.986	26.6	26.6	
12	74.1	69.6	Hangman Cr + Aquifer	217.97	85.0	18	20,509	20,727	23.6	24.2	na	0.986	26.6	26.5	
13	69.6	67.6	Aquifer Inflow	42.75	85.0	18	20,727	20,769	24.2	24.4	na	0.986	26.5	26.5	
14	67.6	64.6	Aquifer Inflow	58.30	85.0	18	20,769	20,896	24.4	24.9	na	0.986	26.5	26.8	na

(1) dissolved zinc was estimated to meet the chronic criteria at the Lake CDA outlet

(2) aquifer hardness assumed to be: 85 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub> based on comparison of Pelleter (1994) regression estimate of 10%tile for station 54A120 with mass balance estimate. Lake CDA outlet hardness assumed to be 5%tile 20 mg/L as CaCO<sub>3</sub>.

(3) aquifer diss Zn assumed to be: 18 ug/L based on comparison of regression estimate for diss Zn at RM 68 (CH2M-Hill, 1997) with mass balance estimate for downstream end reach.

# Spokane River Metals Model: Zinc

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Spokane River Model Reaches			NPDES Dischargers			Acute Mixing Zone Boundary						Chronic Mixing Zone Boundary						Complete Mix		
Spokane River model reach number	Up-stream river mile	Down-stream river mile	Acute dilution factor (allowing 2.5% of river flow)	Hardness at acute boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb at mixing zone	Dissolved Zn conc. at acute boundary	Meets acute criteria at acute mixing zone?	Chronic dilution factor (allowing 25% of river flow)	Hardness at chronic boundary (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Ratio of dissolved/total rec. Pb at mixing zone	Dissolved Zn conc. at chronic boundary (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria at chronic mixing zone?	Hardness at downstream end of reach after complete mix (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	Acute dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Chronic dissolved Zn criteria (ug/L)	Mass balance dissolved Zn at downstream end of reach after complete mix (ug/L)	Meets chronic criteria after complete mix at downstream end of reach?	
0	--	111.7														20.0	29.3	28.7	26.7	Yes
1	111.7	106.6	City of Coeur d'Alene AWTP	54.86	22.3	32.1	0.978	28.6	Yes	539.61	20.2	27.0	0.986	26.9	Yes	20.1	29.3	28.8	26.8	Yes
2	106.6	101.7	Hayden Area RSB POTW	249.70	20.6	30.0	0.978	27.0	Yes	2488.03	20.1	26.8	0.986	26.8	Yes	20.1	29.4	26.8	26.8	Yes
3	101.7	96.0	City of Post Falls & Rathdrum POTW	105.31	21.3	30.8	0.978	27.7	Yes	1044.05	20.2	26.9	0.986	26.9	Yes	20.1	29.4	26.8	26.8	Yes
4	96.0	93.0														20.1	29.4	26.8	26.8	Yes
5	93.0	90.4	Liberty Lake POTW	322.40	20.5	29.9	0.978	27.0	Yes	3215.04	20.1	26.9	0.986	26.9	Yes	20.1	29.4	26.8	26.8	Yes
6	90.4	87.8														20.1	29.4	26.8	26.8	Yes
7	87.8	85.3	Kaiser Aluminum IWTP	14.77	26.9	37.6	0.978	33.0	Yes	138.70	20.8	27.7	0.986	27.5	Yes	21.8	31.5	28.8	26.8	Yes
8	85.3	82.8														21.8	31.5	28.8	26.8	Yes
9	82.6	79.8	Inland Empire Paper Co IWTP	83.30	23.3	33.3	0.978	28.0	Yes	824.03	22.0	28.9	0.986	26.9	Yes	21.9	31.6	28.8	26.8	Yes
10	79.8	78.0														23.6	33.6	30.7	26.6	Yes
11	78.0	74.1														23.6	33.6	30.7	26.6	Yes
12	74.1	69.8														24.2	34.4	31.4	26.5	Yes
13	69.8	67.6														24.4	34.6	31.6	26.5	Yes
14	67.6	64.6	City of Spokane AWTP	8.63	38.3	50.8	0.978	39.7	Yes	77.27	25.9	33.3	0.986	28.0	Yes	24.9	35.3	32.2	26.8	Yes

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## **Appendix E**

Appendix E. Comparison of alternative formulas for calculating WLAs for total recoverable Pb.

**WLA for total recoverable Pb = dissolved tangent / conversion factor**

Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	WLAs for total recoverable Pb: dissolved tangent / conversion factor $WLA = (0.02378(\text{hardness}) - 0.05505) / (1.46203 - (\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.145712))$	conversion factor $= (1.46203 - (\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.145712)))$	dissolved Pb criteria equation (ug/L)	total rec Pb = WLA (ug/L)	dissolved Pb = WLA * conversion factor (ug/L)	dissolved Pb exceeds chronic criterion?
Effluent: 150	4.798	0.732	3.902	4.80	3.51	No
River: 20		1.000	0.410	0.41	0.41	No
Hypothetical mixed concentration of river and effluent dilution= 2 --- violates if DF>2						
85		0.815	2.108	2.60	2.12	Yes

**WLA for total recoverable Pb = total recoverable tangent**

Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	WLAs for total recoverable Pb: total recoverable tangent $WLA = (0.0261 * (\text{Hardness}) - 0.1119)$	conversion factor $= (1.46203 - (\ln(\text{hardness})) * (0.145712)))$	dissolved Pb criteria equation (ug/L)	total rec Pb = WLA (ug/L)	dissolved Pb = WLA * conversion factor (ug/L)	dissolved Pb exceeds chronic criterion?
Effluent: 150	3.803	0.732	3.902	3.80	2.78	No
River: 20		1.000	0.410	0.41	0.41	No
Hypothetical mixed concentration of river and effluent dilution= 2 --- meets criteria at all dilution factors						
85		0.815	2.108	2.11	1.72	No

**WLA for total recoverable Pb = dissolved tangent (effluent conversion factor = 1)**

Hardness (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	WLAs for total recoverable Pb: dissolved tangent $WLA = (0.02378(\text{hardness}) - 0.05505)$	conversion factor $= 1$	dissolved Pb criteria equation (ug/L)	total rec Pb = WLA (ug/L)	dissolved Pb = WLA * conversion factor (ug/L)	dissolved Pb exceeds chronic criterion?
Effluent: 150	3.512	1.000	3.902	3.51	3.51	No
River: 20		1.000	0.410	0.41	0.41	No
Hypothetical mixed concentration of river and effluent dilution= 2 --- meets criteria at all dilution factors						
85		0.815	2.108	1.96	1.60	No

## **Appendix F**

Appendix F. Spreadsheet for calculation of WLAs and permit limits for total recoverable Cd, Pb, and Zn for NPDES dischargers to the Spokane River. The input values are for the example described in the text for the Spokane AWTP.

	<i>Cd</i>	<i>Pb</i>	<i>Zn</i>
<b>Potential limits based on meeting the aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness</b>			
1. Effluent hardness 5th percentile (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> ):	138	138	138
2. Chronic aquatic life criteria for dissolved metals (ug/L)	1.31	3.23	137
3. Ratio of total recoverable / dissolved metals	1.12	--	1.01
4. Chronic aquatic life criteria for total recoverable metals (ug/L)	1.46	3.49	139
Number of samples (n2) required per month for compliance monitoring:	2	2	2
6. Coefficient of variation for effluent total recoverable metals:	0.431	0.335	0.283
7. Calculated limits using the equations in Box 5-2 of the 1991 TSD			
Z statistic for water quality-based LTA derivation (99%tile):	2.3263	2.3263	2.3263
Z-statistic for water quality-based daily maximum permit limit (99%tile):	2.3263	2.3263	2.3263
Z statistic for water quality-based monthly average permit limit (95%tile):	1.6449	1.6449	1.6449
number of days (n1) for averaging of chronic aquatic life criteria:	4	4	4
σ <sup>2</sup> :	0.170385	0.106363	0.077043
σ <sup>2</sup> -n1:	0.045394	0.027670	0.019824
LTA for chronic (n1-day) aquatic life criteria:	0.91	2.4	101
σ <sup>2</sup> -n2:	0.088817	0.054595	0.039264
Maximum Daily Limit (ug/L):	2.2	4.9	186
Average Monthly Limit (ug/L):	1.4	3.4	138

## **Appendix G**

	A	B	C	D
1	Appendix G. Formulas for the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet for calculation of WLAs and permit limits for total recoverable Cd, Pb, and Zn for NPDES dischargers to the Spokane River. The input values are for the example described in the text for the Spokane AWTP.			
2				
3				
4				
5	Cd	Pb	Zn	
6	<b>I. Potential limits based on meeting the aquatic life criteria at effluent hardness</b>			
7	1 Effluent hardness 5th percentile (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	138	138	138
8	=1.101672*((LN(B7))^(0.041838)))*EXP(0.7852*(LN(B7))-3.49)	=0.02378*C7-0.05505	=0.986*EXP(0.8473*(LN(D7))+0.7614)	
9		--		
10				
11	2 Chronic aquatic life criteria for dissolved metals (ug/L)	=1/(1.101672*((LN(B7))^(0.041838)))		=1/0.986
12				
13	3 Ratio of total recoverable / dissolved metals	=B9*B11	=0.0281*C7-0.1119	=D9*D11
14				
15	4 Chronic aquatic life criteria for total recoverable metals (ug/L)			
16				
17	5 Number of samples (n2) required per month for compliance monitoring	2	2	2
18				
19	6 Coefficient of variation for effluent metals (use 0.6 if data are not available).	0.431	0.335	0.283
20				
21	7 Calculated limits using the equations in Box 5-2 of the 1991 TSD			
22	Z statistic for water quality-based LTA derivation (99%ile)	2.3263	2.3263	2.3263
23	Z-statistic for water quality-based daily maximum permit limit (99%ile)	2.3263	2.3263	2.3263
24	Z statistic for water quality-based monthly average permit limit (95%ile)	1.6449	1.6449	1.6449
25	number of days (n1) for averaging of chronic aquatic life criteria	4	4	4
26	n^2	=LN(B17^2+1)	=LN(C17^2+1)	=LN(D17^2+1)
27	n^2-n1	=LN((B17^2/B23)+1)	=LN((C17^2/C23)+1)	=LN((D17^2/D23)+1)
28	LTA for chronic (n1-day) aquatic life criteria:	=B13*EXP(0.5*B25-B20*SQRT(B25))	=C13*EXP(0.5*C25-C20*SQRT(C25))	=D13*EXP(0.5*D25-D20*SQRT(D25))
29	n^2-n2	=LN((B17^2/B15)+1)	=LN((C17^2/C15)+1)	=LN((D17^2/D15)+1)
30	Maximum Daily Limit (ug/L)	=B26*EXP(B21*SQRT(B24)-0.5*B24)	=C26*EXP(C21*SQRT(C24)-0.5*C24)	=D26*EXP(D21*SQRT(D24)-0.5*D24)
31	Average Monthly Limit (ug/L)	=B26*EXP(B22*SQRT(B27)-0.5*B27)	=C26*EXP(C22*SQRT(C27)-0.5*C27)	=D26*EXP(D22*SQRT(D27)-0.5*D27)